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FALSE CLAIMS.

MORE ABOUT CANTON "VICTORIES."

WU PEI-FU'S OFFENSIVE.

A Reuter's telegram to hand from Shanghai this afternoon states that the Canton Information Bureau's official claim that Hankow and Wuchang were captured on August 26th has proved to be false.

The message says that there is also no confirmation of the Japanese reports that Marshal Wu Pei-fu has been wounded and that his troops are defeated and demoralised.

On the contrary, Reuter's correspondent at Hankow, wiring on the evening of August 30th, states that the attacks by the Southern forces on August 29th were successfully repulsed.

The telegram further states that the capture of an enemy spy on the evening of the 29th elicited the information that another attack was planned for the 30th. The result was that Marshal Wu Pei-fu moved first in launching the offensive, the results of which have not yet been received.

Chinese continue to flock into the Hankow Concessions in very large numbers, with their household goods and valuables.

MORE IMAGINATION.

Despite authoritative reports to the contrary, Canton officials yesterday were still claiming that the fall of Wuchang had been confirmed by a wireless message received from Wuchang direct, and that the 4th Army Corps entered the city by the Wu Shing Gate and the

7th Army Corps by the Man Chang Gate, whilst on the same night, the Revolutionary Army took possession of Hankow. "It is further claimed that the Northern Army is in full retreat towards Hwang Shih Kwong, where it is expected that the crack Southern Division will be able to intercept the retreating enemy. Another telegram is stated to have been received in Canton to the effect that Hanyang is occupied and the Nationalist Army has taken possession of the Hanyang arsenal and iron works."

Kuomintang organs in Canton yesterday claimed that Northern troops under General Lu Chin-shan at Ichang, Hupeh, have voluntarily surrendered in favour of the Kuomintang Army and that Ichang and vicinity are now flying the Red standard of the Kuomintang Revolutionary Forces.

THE SWATOW DISTRICT.

A report from Swatow states that General Ho Ying-yun, in view of the great activities of the Fukien troops in Chuen Chow and other places on the frontier, has concentrated his forces at strategic points ready to cope with any contingency that may arise. Since the receipt of the news of the success of the Nationalist Army at Yochow, however, the activities of the Fukien troops have slackened, but the uprising of the People's Army has become more menacing. In consequence, the Garrison Commandant of Chuen Chow has deemed it advisable to call a temporary truce in order to define the sphere of influence of the opposing parties. It is also stated that the People's Army has demanded Chuen Chow, Cheung Chow, Tung On and other adjoining districts as its sphere of influence, but it is doubtful if this demand will be accepted. However, the negotiations have not broken off, and a patched-up agreement is likely to be concluded.

YUNNAN REVERSE.

From Kwangsi, news has reached Canton to the effect that fighting has commenced on the frontier, and that the Yunnan forces have been defeated and driven back across the boundary. Nanning has declared martial law, and a strict censorship on telegrams and mails has been instituted. It is stated that urgent

NEW MOVE BY CANTON GOVERNMENT.

FOREIGN HOSPITALS TO BE RE-OPENED.

PROTECTION FOR MISSIONS.

The Canton Government is making efforts to secure the re-opening of the Stout Memorial Hospital at Wuchow and also the Canton Hospital, both of which institutions were recently shut down in consequence of the activities of boycott pickets. This much is indicated by the following communication issued by the Canton Information Bureau under date of yesterday:

"The Nationalist Government has ordered the office of the Commander-in-Chief to instruct the Wuchow Authorities to immediately return the Stout Memorial Hospital at Wuchow to the American Baptist Mission for re-opening, and also to issue peremptory orders to all Nationalist forces in Hunan and elsewhere to protect the life and property of all foreign missionaries and evacuate all mission buildings now in occupation of the military."

"The Government has further instructed the Miscellaneous Workers Union to open negotiations with the authorities of the Canton Hospital for a speedy re-opening of that institution."

"ANGERS" DRUG CASE.

CHARGES AGAINST A JAPANESE.

A sequel to the hold-up of police and revenue officers on the French Mail steamer Angers was heard before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy this morning, when a Japanese was charged in connection with the drug seized.

The defendant's name is Yonejiro Tanaka, stated to be a tailor, aged 37, a passenger on board the boat. He was charged under the Dangerous Drugs Act with being in unlawful possession of 8,200 ounces of heroin, and, secondly, with importing it into the Colony.

The defendant admitted the charges, but made no statement. It has been estimated that the value of the seizure on the Home market price is just over \$100,000, but it is worth about three times that amount in Hongkong.

Mr. J. D. Lloyd, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, who prosecuted, asked for a commitment to trial on both charges.

Mr. Lindsell said he had not the time to hear the case then, and fixed the hearing for Saturday at 11.30.

FATAL FIRE.

CUT OFF FROM ESCAPE.

New York, Sept. 1.

Five negroes are dead and one is missing as the result of a fire in a five-story negro tenement, the occupants of which were cut off from escape owing to a deep trench cut in front of the building for the new underground railway. This prevented the firemen from hoisting ladders. Many negroes jumped from the windows and were more or less seriously injured.—Reuter's American Service.

FAMOUS AIRMAN KILLED.

THE RESULT OF A CRASH.

Washington, Sept. 1.

Lieutenant Cyrus Bettis, the winner of the Pulitzer air race in 1925, has died in hospital as the result of a crash.—Reuter's American Service.

WOMAN'S DEATH.

SHANGHAI ENQUIRY CONCLUDED.

THE BRENTNALL TRAGEDY.

The final scene in the tragic life story of Dorothea Brentnall, whose real name was Mrs. L. F. A. Waller, was enacted in the British Coroner's Court at Shanghai on August 26, when Mr. G. W. King returned a verdict that the deceased, who died in the Shanghai General Hospital on the night of August 5, succumbed from the effects of an hypnotic or narcotic drug which she took herself.

The deceased, who was sentenced to one month in the Amoy Road Gaol after a charge of obtaining goods and credit by false pretences had been proved against her, went into a sound sleep shortly after admission and was later taken to the General Hospital, where she died without recovering consciousness. It was suspected at the time, and the opinion of the hospital authorities was, that the deceased had, by some means or another, taken a drug which was believed to be veronal, and after other evidence had been taken at the last hearing, the inquest was adjourned to allow a careful analysis to be made of the deceased's body.

This analysis was made by Mr. Frederick George Walker, of the Health Department, and was handed into the Court. The report was a negative one, the analysis being unable to trace any drug or poison which the deceased might have taken.

NEGATIVE RESULTS.

Mr. King—I see by your report that you were looking particularly for narcotics and hypnotic drugs.

Witness—Yes.

Mr. King—The results of all these were negative? Yes.

The witness stated that his investigations were directed particularly toward veronal and derivatives of veronal which were in use as drugs. He also made tests for opium as opium alkaloids, but there were no traces of these.

Mr. King—Then, as an analyst, you cannot say what was the cause of death?

Witness—agreed with the Coroner and said that an analyst could only state the nature of the material found and the quantity and, according to the latter, he might sometimes say, in conjunction with a medical man, whether the drug or poison would have been the cause of death.

Dr. Wall, who testified at the previous hearing and stated that in his opinion the deceased had died from taking an hypnotic drug, was recalled.

DIFFERENT EFFECTS.

The Coroner—Dr. Wall, you have seen the report of the analyst and, with that in mind, would you still say that the deceased had, in your opinion, died from taking an hypnotic drug?

Witness—I still think so.

In answer to further questions from the Coroner, the witness stated that a possible reason for the tests and analysis being negative was the fact that the drug might have been excreted from the body.

The Coroner—Is there any difference between an hypnotic and narcotic drug?

Witness—Yes. An hypnotic drug produces sleep and a narcotic, whilst also producing sleep, relieves pain.

The Coroner—Could the deceased have taken a narcotic drug?

Witness—It might have been either. There are so many new drugs coming on the market that it would be difficult to say what one she took. There are several new ones each year. I still say that it was a drug that the deceased took, but I would have expected to have some traces of it.

EUROPEAN CAPTAIN FINED.

COURT SEQUEL TO HOTEL DISTURBANCE.

POLICE CRITICISED.

Allegations that the police pushed him about and humiliated him were made by Captain E. Bentley, who stated that he was staying at the Kowloon Y.M.C.A., when he was charged, before Major C. Willson, at the Central Police Station this morning. He was called upon to answer two charges, one of behaving in a disorderly manner whereby a breach of the peace might have been occasioned, and with wilfully and maliciously breaking a door handle, the property of the Government. Defendant pleaded not guilty to both charges.

DETECTIVE'S EVIDENCE.

Detective Sgt. Pears stated he visited the King Edward Hotel, in response to a telephone message, at 3.10 yesterday afternoon. On arriving there he was told by the manager that the defendant had had drinks to the value of \$1.50, and had torn up the chits, after which he was put out. About 3.30, the defendant returned to the hotel in an excited condition and started to shout. Witness requested him to go away, but he

INTERVENTION URGED.

"Warranted By Ghastly Tragedy."

London, Sept. 1.

Urging a strong policy on the part of the Powers in view of the recent anti-foreign developments in China, the Daily Telegraph says that the so-called conciliation, which is actually nervous submission, has only made the position worse.

It expresses the opinion that Britain is the one Power able to bring the United States and Japan together with herself and others in a common policy of intervention in some form, which is amply warranted by the ghastliness of the tragedy at present being enacted in China, to which the paper suggests, Britain should send a special Plenipotentiary, as for instance Lord Reading, who would show that Britain was in earnest.—Reuter.

refused to do so, and called witness a "swine." He refused to go away on being asked again, so witness arrested him. The defendant then accused witness of being in collusion with the Hotel.

In reply to Inspector Phillips, witness said in the charge room the defendant was walking up and down, banging his fists together and using abusive language to the Inspector on duty.

VIOLENT BEHAVIOUR.

Inspector Phillips said the previous witness returned with the defendant about 4.10, when a charge of disorderly conduct was preferred against him. The defendant would not be quiet and refused to be searched. Eventually he submitted and was placed in a side room, where he became very violent, kicking the door, and disturbing nearly everybody at the Central Police Station. Mr. T. H. King and Captain Bloxham both spoke to the defendant and asked him to be quiet, but he would not desist. In kicking the door he broke the door handle. Later his

STOP PRESS.

WUCHANG FALLEN.

Shanghai, Sept. 2.

A Japanese despatch from Hankow states that the Southern forces entered Wuchang last evening.—Reuter.

LEAGUE CRISIS.

SPAIN REMAINS FIRM.

NOT TO BE PERSUADED.

London, Sept. 1.

The Committee which is considering the composition of the League Council, commenced its discussion on the question of permanent seats.

Signor Palacios (Spain) upheld Spain's claim to a permanent seat.

M. Fromageot (France) hoped that Spain would reconsider the decision.

Herr Von Hoersch (Germany) expressed the sincere desire of Germany for continued co-operation with Spain in the League and was of opinion that the matter should be left to the decision of the Assembly.

Viscount Cecil (Britain) earnestly desired a continuance of Spain's co-operation. M. Brouckere (Belgium) strongly opposed an increase in the number of permanent seats, but ardently hoped for the continuation of Spain in the work of the League. He regarded that this would be attained by the scheme now adopted.

VARIOUS VIEWS.

Baron Sato (Japan) said that Japan had always been in favour of Spain's requests though, unfortunately, circumstances prevented the realisation. The Japanese Government hoped that Spain would consider carefully the draft regulations which had been adopted.

Mr. Chu (China) hoped that the Committee would reconsider the question of permanent seats and would consider the possibility of decreasing the non-permanent seats. He said that China would claim a permanent seat in the event of more being created at any time beyond Germany's.

Signor Scialoja (Italy) regretted that they were unable to satisfy Spain's claim and hoped that after hearing the report of the Committee's discussions, the Spanish Government would reconsider its attitude and continue to co-operate in the League.

M. Sinborg (Sweden) and M. Guani (Uruguay) spoke in the same strain.

JAPAN AND CHINA.

In the course of his speech, Baron Sato (Japan) expressed sympathy with China's claim for a permanent seat. "China is our great neighbour and a country with which we naturally desire the best relations. Her claim ought to be considered in conformity with the principle of geographical position.—Reuter.

THE SCHEME ADOPTED.

Later. The Committee adopted the Drafting Sub-Committee's modified scheme. The Spanish member did not vote and the Polish member declared "partial abstention." Speaking at San Sebastian, the Spanish Foreign Minister, Signor Yanguas, in a reference to the League Assembly said that Spain resolutely maintained her demand for a permanent seat on the Council and was in no wise interested in any other formulae.—Reuter.

NON-PERMANENT SCHEME EXPLAINED.

Rugby, Sept. 1. The Special Commission of the League of Nations appointed to consider the composition of the League Council, today completed the examination of the question of the distribution of non-permanent seats on the Council. The final draft decisions which were approved by the Commission—the Spanish representative alone abstaining—incorporate in the Cecil plan, modifications which have been closely discussed by a sub-committee for the past two

SHANGHAI STRIKERS WARNED.

POLICE CHIEF'S OUTSPOKEN PROCLAMATION.

AGITATORS DENOUNCED.

In a very frankly-worded proclamation, Colonel Yen Chung-yang, Chief of the Chinese police, has ordered Shanghai's many strikers to go back to work and not to allow themselves to be led astray by agitators.

The present anti-Japanese agitation is the work of paid agents, Colonel Yen declares, and he threatens that if the general strike proposals eventuate, he will be compelled to take firm measures against the strikers.

As published in the Chinese newspapers, Colonel Yen's proclamation states that the strikers should leave the death of the coolie, Chen Ah-dong, to the Chinese authorities who will take requisite measures. "If you declare a general strike at the instigation of agitators for the purpose of protesting against Chen's death, I shall adopt stern measures because such a strike menaces public safety," he states. "You know that many workers are unemployed as a result of the May 30 affair and this state of affairs is due largely to the work of agitators. Furthermore, the Peking tragedy was caused by agitators who themselves were not injured but induced innocent people to be shot. You should take heed of this."

SENT TO GOAL.

CHINESE ACCOUNTANT SENTENCED.

An accountant of the Nanyang Tobacco Company, who was remanded a week ago on a charge of stealing seventy bales of glassine paper, and who pleaded guilty, was again before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Mr. D. L. Strellett was for the complainants and Mr. K. S. C. Brooks defended.

Five further charges were added this morning, four of thefts of glassine paper, and the fifth of falsifying accounts.

Mr. E. S. C. Brooks made a strong plea for leniency on the defendant's behalf. He stated that he went to Canton with the intention of getting money to make reparation to the Company, and added that had he liked he could have stayed there, and so avoided being involved in the charges. Instead, although he failed to get the money, he returned and made a frank confession.

The defendant was sentenced to one month with hard labour on each of the charges for thefts of paper, and three months for falsification of accounts, a total of eight months.

SPANISH DISASTERS.

TRAIN MISHAP AND FLOODS.

Barcelona, Sept. 1. Seventeen persons were killed and 36 wounded by the derailment of a mail train from Barcelona to Valencia, near Tortosa, in consequence of a landslip following heavy rain. A third-class carriage was telescoped.

Several villages in the environs of Barcelona are inundated by rains. Thirty-six have perished in the floods, and there is great material damage.—Reuter.

Later. At least 24 were killed and 50 injured in the Tortosa disaster.—Reuter.

CHINESE DIPLOMAT DIES.

AMBASSADOR TO FINLAND.

Helsingfors, Sept. 1.

The death has taken place of the Chinese Ambassador here, Mr. Li Kinsao.—Reuter.

DARING EXPLOIT.

ROUND THE WORLD IN KETCH.

A GERMAN ADVENTURE.

Weatherbeaten and rusty from buffeting received in the south-west monsoon, with the German flag flying, and wireless antennae slung between her masts, a bluff North Sea fishing lugger is at present lying in the inner harbour at Singapore, about a hundred yards from Johnston's Pier, says the Straits Times.

This boat is named the Hamburg, and she is engaged on a round-the-world cruise with five German sportsmen on board. She is staying in Singapore for a few days after a strenuous time across the Indian Ocean.

Captain Karl Kirchheiss, a former officer in the German Navy, is engaged on an adventure which will appeal to yachtsmen and sportsmen everywhere. He is sailing round the world in a 60-ton vessel, with a crew of four men, comprising a mate, two sailors, and a cook.

Many remarkable long-distance voyages have been done in smaller boats than this, but Captain Kirchheiss is the first German sailor to set off on a round-the-world cruise in a boat of this size.

Moreover, his venture differs from others in that he set out from Hamburg in the depth of winter. Crossing the Bay of Biscay in December, he has braved heavy monsoon weather between Aden and Colombo, and he will meet winter again in the North Pacific if nothing happens to interfere with his schedule.

IN THE RED SEA.

The Hamburg called at a number of Mediterranean ports, crossed from Italy to Alexandria, went through the Canal, and spent 18 days roasting in the Red Sea.

Captain Kirchheiss is not one of the class of millionaire yachtsmen, and since he has to economise in the use of oil fuel he is forced to rely upon sails except in dead calms or in entering or leaving harbour.

Those who have suffered from the Red Sea heat on a comfortable passenger liner will appreciate what the conditions must have been on this little vessel, with little covering on the decks and the ventilation down below designed for the North Sea.

For 18 days the Hamburg drifted about, making use of every puff of wind that came along, and the crew were extremely glad when they made Aden.

HEAVY WEATHER.

The next lap of the journey contained trials of a different order. They struck heavy weather in the path of the south-west monsoon, and took 20 days to get to Colombo.

During that time the little vessel rolled appallingly, the decks were constantly swept by the waves, the helmsman was sometimes lashed to the wheel, and water splashing about in the mess-room and cabins below made life on board anything but pleasant.

A certain amount of damage was sustained in the stormy weather, and repairs were effected at Colombo. From that port to Sabang conditions were better, and only eight days were required.

The next port of call was Belawan, and the motor was brought into use to cross the Straits and enter Singapore harbour on Tuesday afternoon.

The Hamburg was formerly a North Sea fishing lugger, and she is built to stand heavy weather, and is broad of beam, with about four feet of freeboard.

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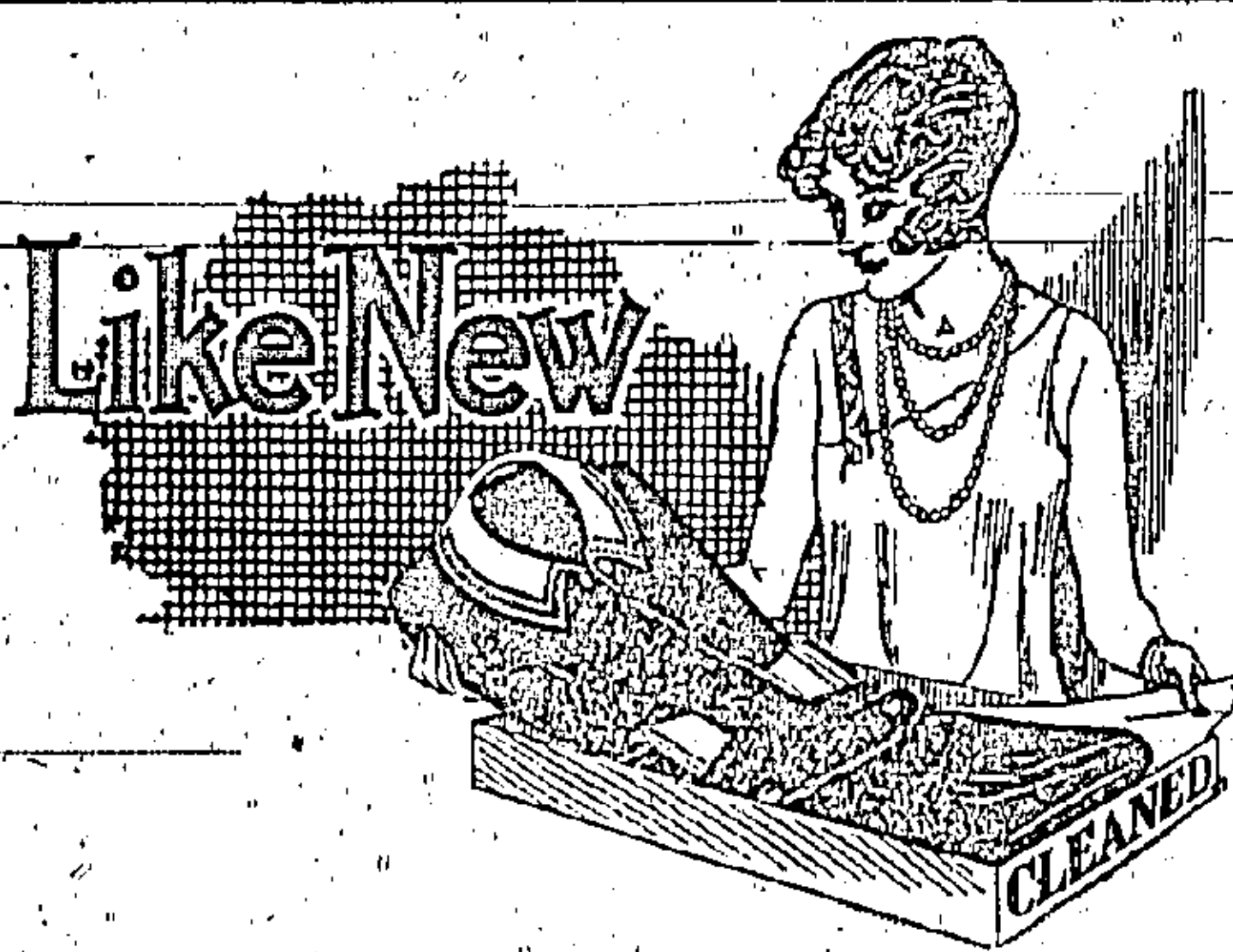
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The Wreaths.

Wreaths were sent by the husband and children, Alastair, Dad, Gordon, Allen and Girlic, Sheila Messrs. James Sinclair, A. G. Stewart, J. B. Chapman and W. M. M. Chapman, H. J. Love, Mok Tai-pan, R. K. Duncan, W. J. Roper, Mok Ting-fong, Tam Yuen-chuen, K. E. Grieg, A. C. Thomas, F. S. McLay, J. D. H. Crawford, G. A. G. Morse, W. Purcell, R. A. Ramsay, J. B. Moore, Tse Ming, Allan Chapman, Mok Man-yu, J. H. R. Hance, C. H. Blason, C. C. Knight, W. C. Bailey, Mok Kon-sang, J. Jack and H. Overy, C. W. Brown, J. Power, Dr. Mok Tai-kin.

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THE LATEST CHANGES.

Mr. W. F. Davis, chief officer, Nan-ning, is on Home leave.
Mr. W. T. Paul, chief officer, Tatung, is on Home leave.
Mr. P. J. Gregg, second officer, Wuhu, has gone second officer, Liangchow.
Mr. C. W. Kehoe-Smith, second officer, Liangchow, has gone second officer, Wuhu.
Mr. J. D. Craig, supply third engineer, Kaying, has gone acting third engineer, Szechuen.
Mr. A. Keown, third engineer, Anking, in on reserve.
Mr. R. J. Allinson, third engineer, Szechuen, has gone third engineer, Anking.
Mr. N. Dakin, chief engineer, Hsin Shamen, has resigned.
Mr. R. J. McNeil, second engineer, Kaying, has gone second engineer, Tean.
Mr. D. W. Hume, supply second engineer, Kaying, is on Home leave.
Mr. E. C. Fitzpatrick, second engineer, Tean, has gone acting second engineer, Chin-hua.
Mr. G. Bolam, from reserve, has gone supply second officer, Fuhwo.
Mr. R. C. Bensus has been appointed supply third engineer, Luenho.
Mr. A. Chalmers, third engineer, Luenho, has resigned.
Mr. J. Burns, from reserve, has gone second engineer, Yatshing.

THE LEAGUE COUNCIL.

ANGLO-FRENCH AGREEMENT.

Paris, Sept. 1.
According to the *Petit Parisien*, M. Briand and Sir Austen Chamberlain at a meeting last night realized a similarity of dispositions in the French and English Cabinets regarding Tangier and the seats in the Council of the League of Nations.

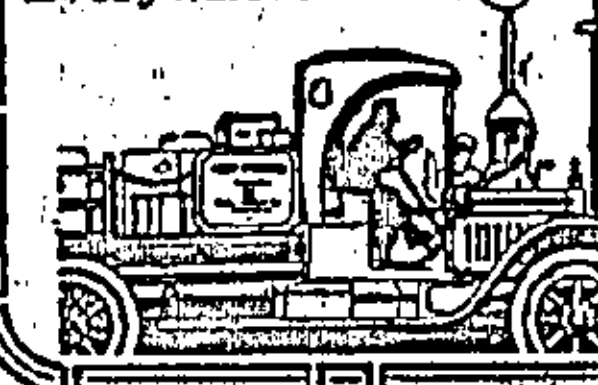
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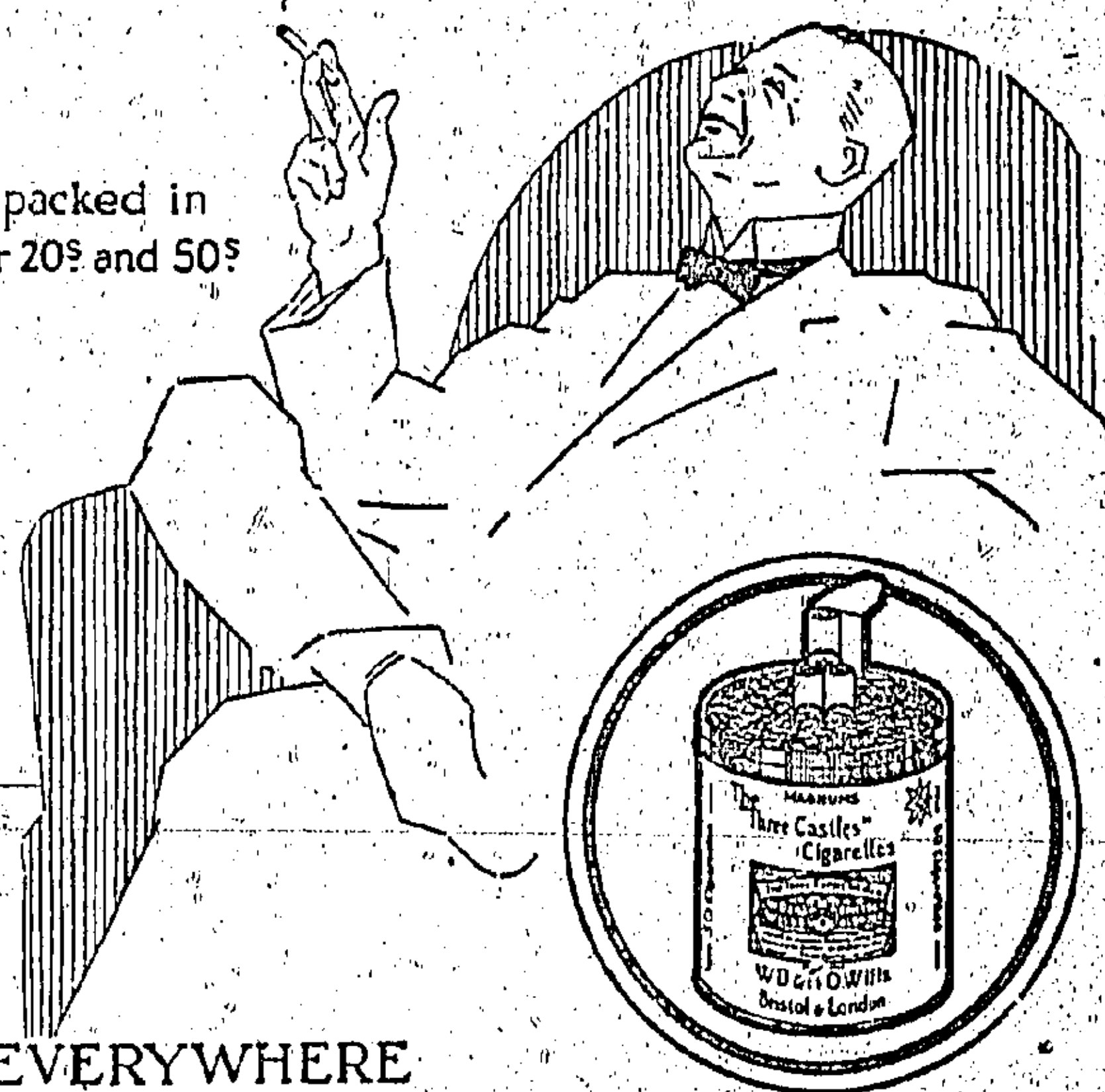
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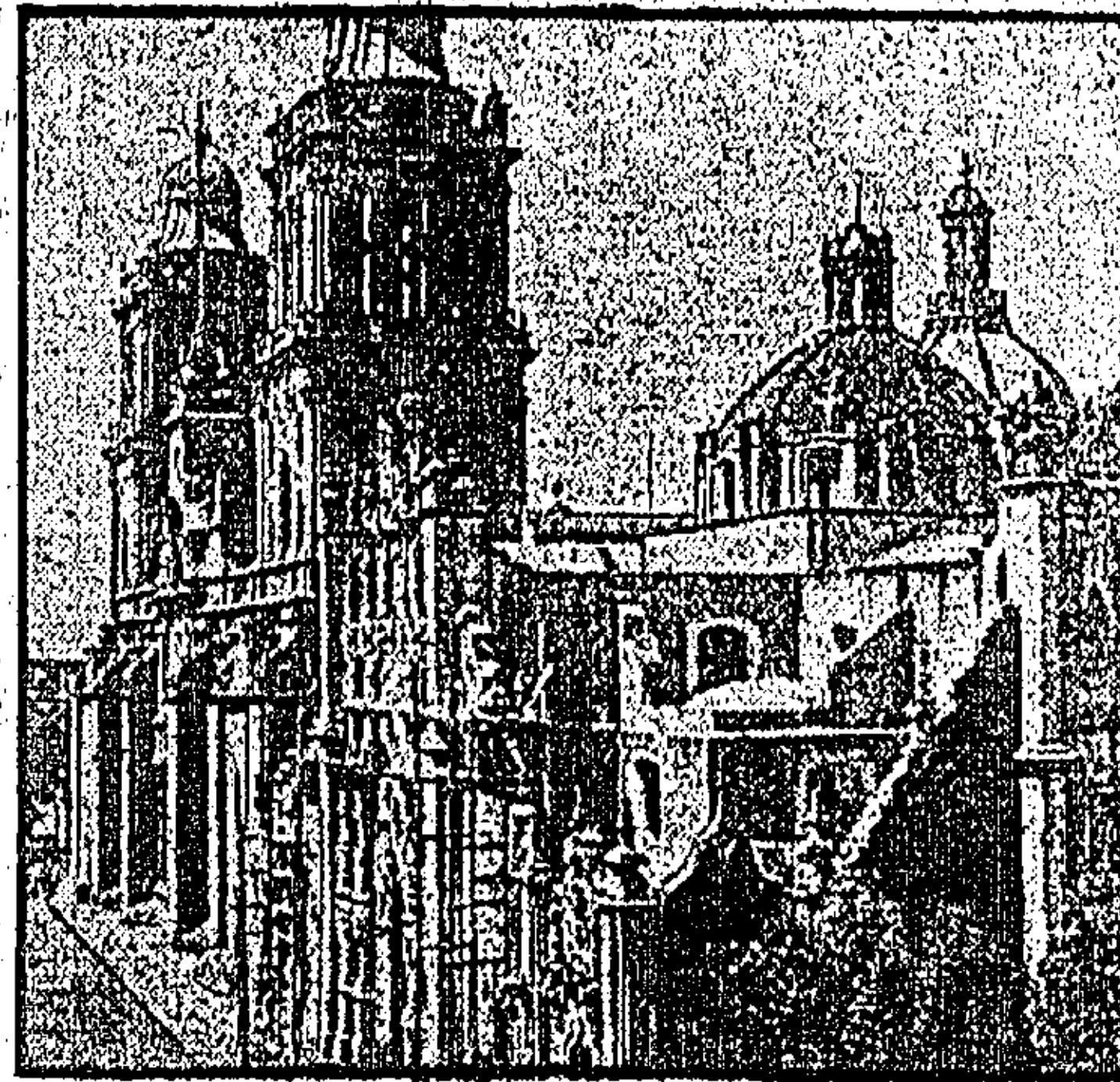
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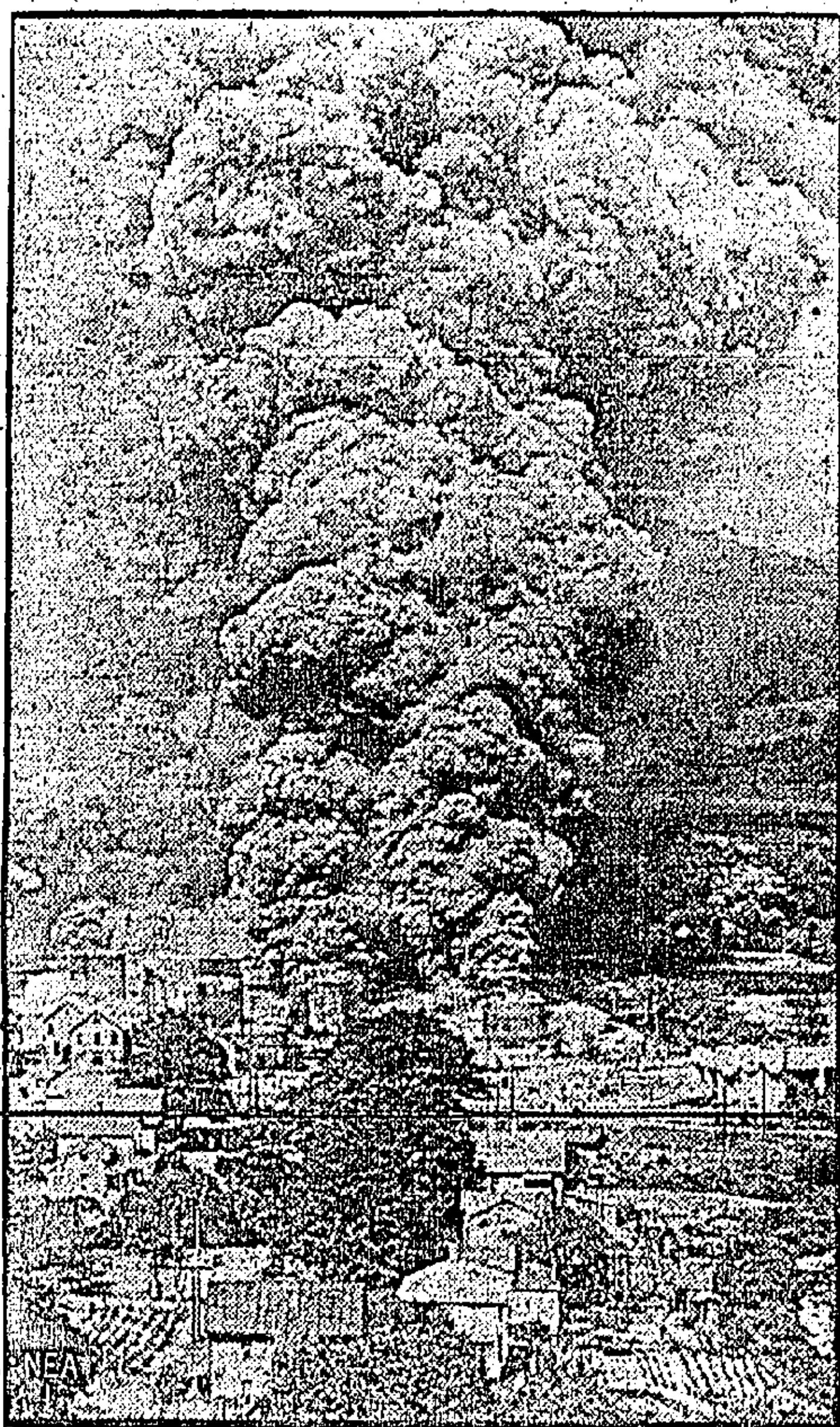
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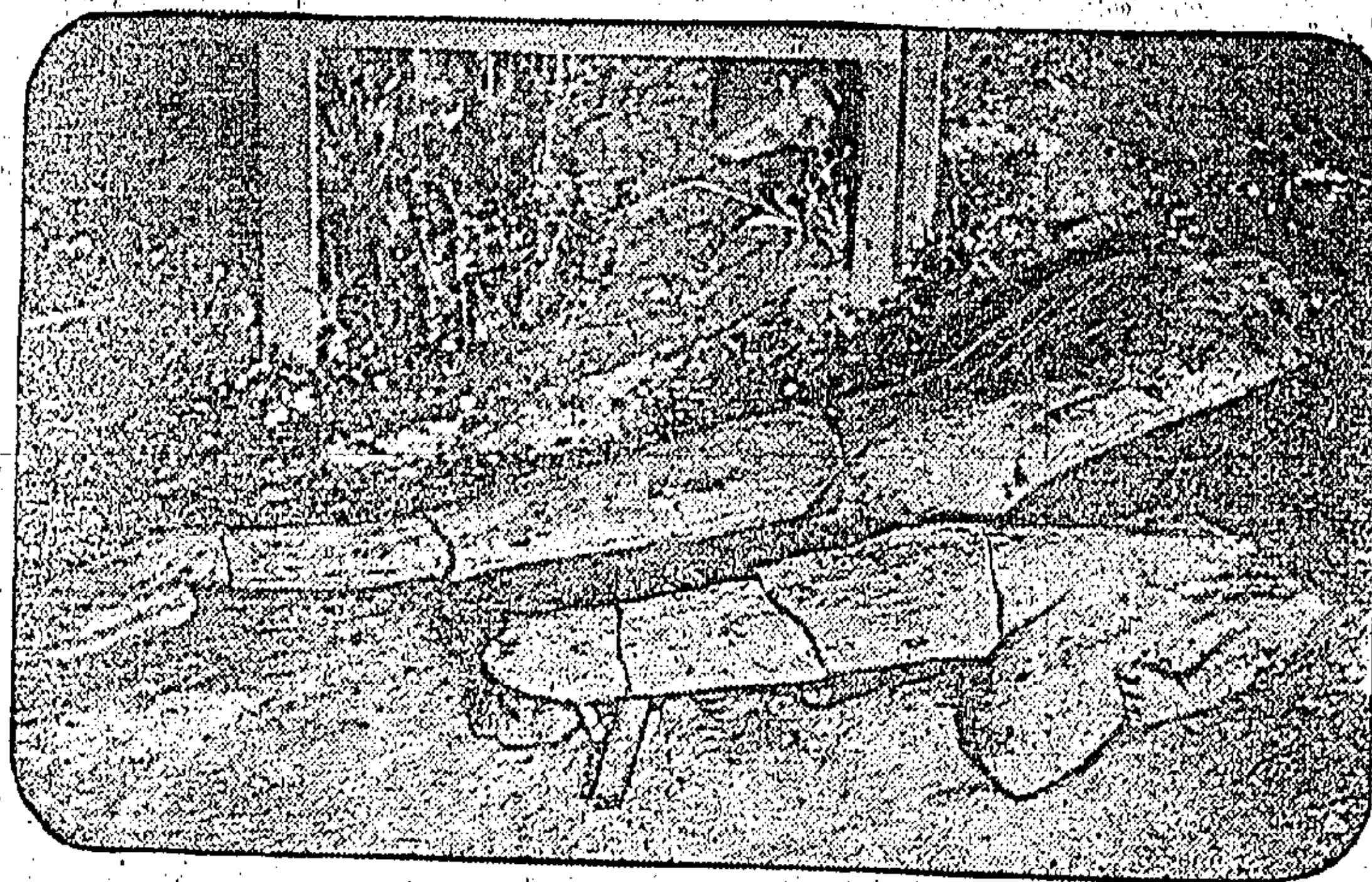
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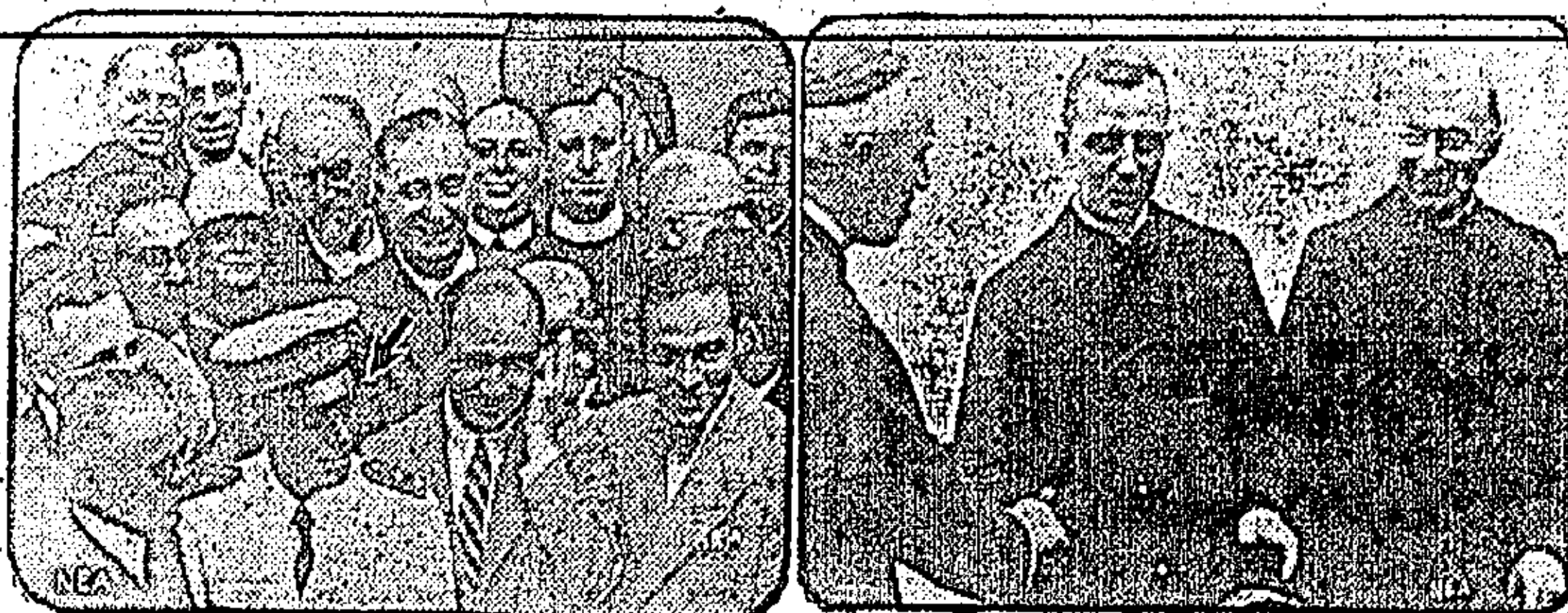
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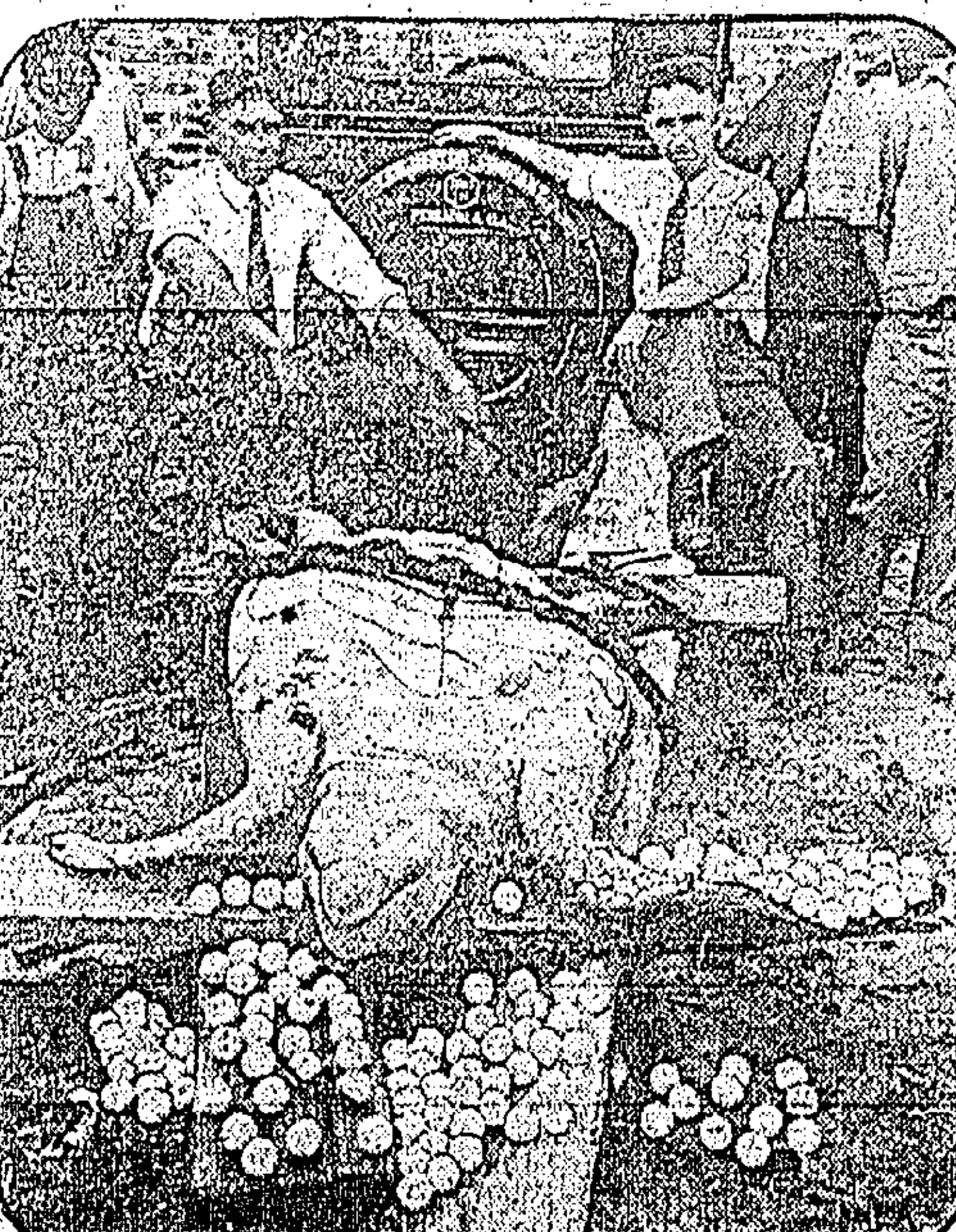
REFINERY BLAZE.—This remarkable picture shows \$1,500,000 worth of oil going up in smoke at Warren, Pennsylvania, where a big oil refinery caught fire. One of the most unusual pictures of a fire ever taken, it gives a general view of the conflagration at its height.



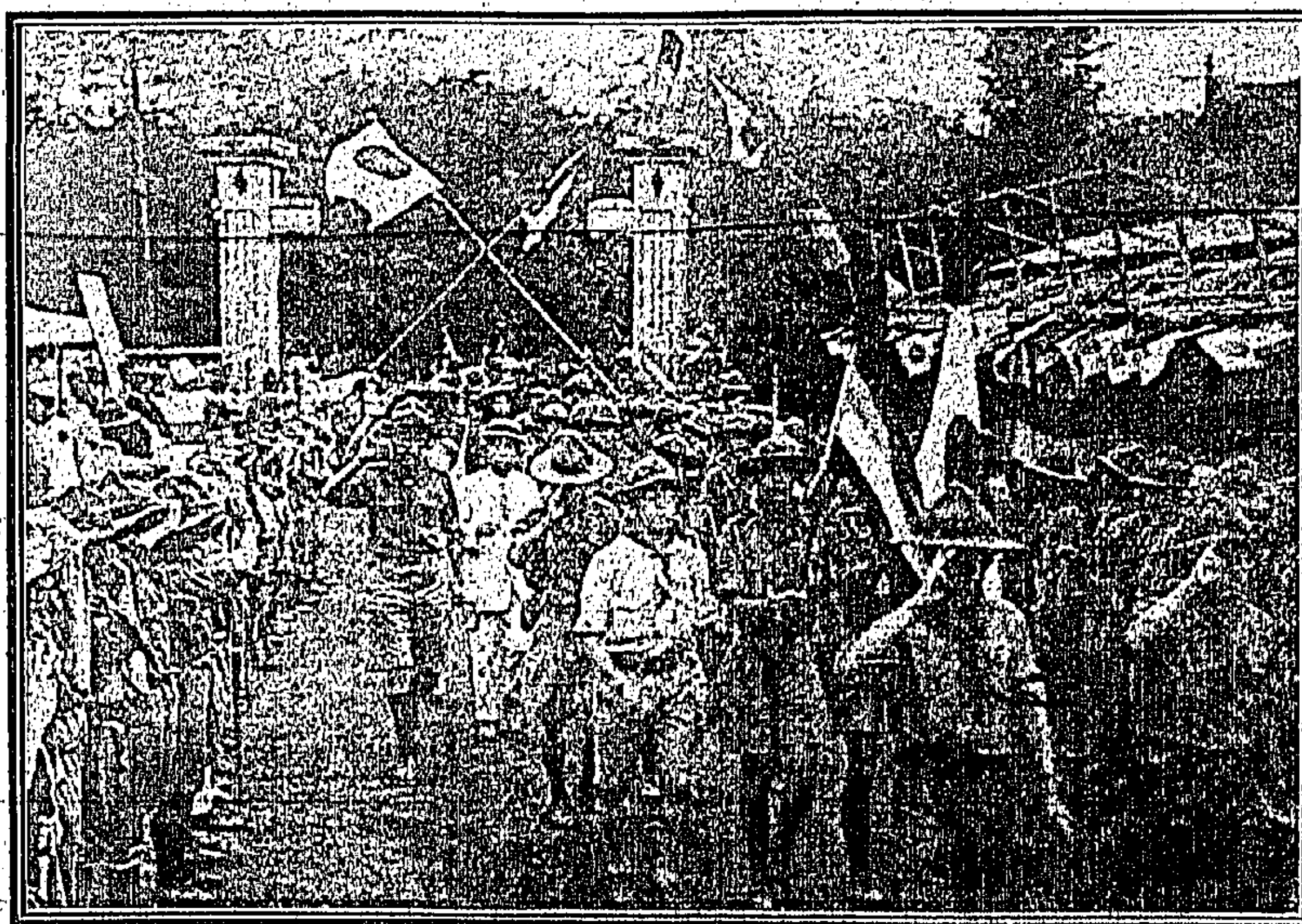
"STRANGE FIND."—Coal miners in a shaft at Buckley, Virginia, got a shock when they uncovered two stone figures—apparently petrified bodies of a man and woman—buried deep in a vein of coal. Scientists from the Smithsonian Institution at Washington are on their way there to see if the figures are indeed petrified bodies or only remarkably life-like tree trunks. Incidentally the miners refuse to work in the part of the shaft where the bodies were found, calling it "the graveyard."



TWO FAREWELLS.—Simultaneous farewell parties for Gen. Umberto Nobile, North Pole flight participant, and John, Cardinal Bonzano, papal legate, were staged in New York. The arrow in the left picture points to Nobile. In the right picture, Cardinal Hayes of New York is shaking hands with Cardinal Bonzano (centre), with Cardinal Mundelein of Chicago standing by.

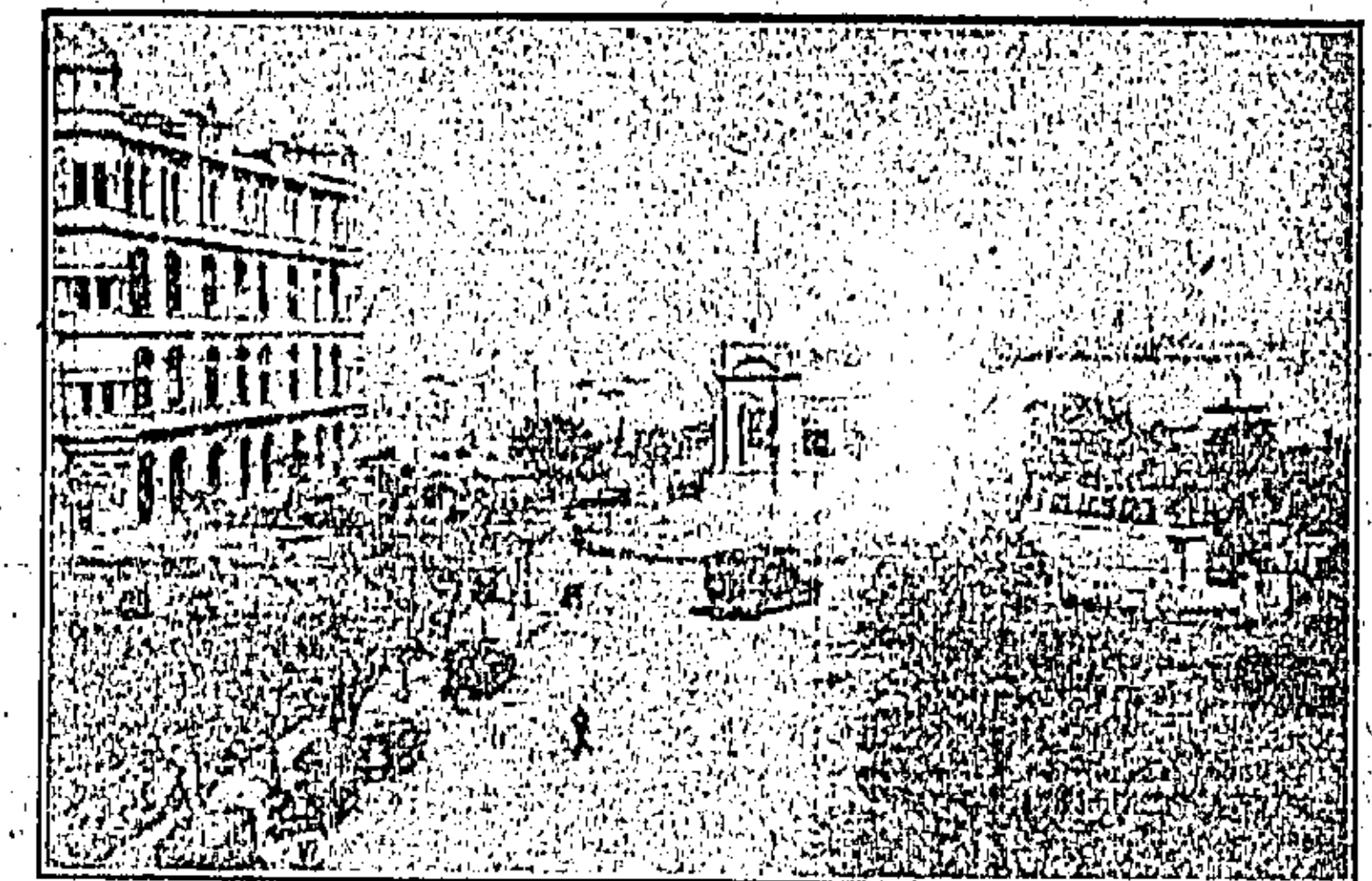


GOOD CATCH.—This 456-pound sea turtle and its 140 eggs were captured by members of a picnic party off Pensacola, Florida. Sea turtles are plentiful in that vicinity this summer.



CHINESE SCOUTS IN JAPAN.—The Japanese Youths' League of Tokyo welcoming the Boy Scouts of Nanyang University, Shanghai, on the occasion of the visit paid last month. Our picture was taken at the entrance to the Mikasa Gardens, at Tsurumi, near Yokohama, where the flag of the Chinese Republic was afterwards hoisted and saluted.

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W. K. REYNOLDS,
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Hongkong, 1st Sept. 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fourth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday 9th October, 1926, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Causeway Bay Stables and Hongkong Club Annex.

Entries will close at 12 o'clock noon on Saturday, 25th September 1926.

RADIO SOCIETY.

APPEAL FOR MEMBERS.

The Hongkong Radio Society, which at present is the sole broadcasting agency in the Colony, makes an earnest appeal to all interested in radio to become members.

The Society's aim is to provide regular radio programmes, but its work is at present rather restricted by reason of lack of finances. Owners of receiving sets will serve their own interests by joining the Society; because the bigger the membership list the greater will be the possibilities for expansion of the Society's work.

Those desirous of joining the Society are asked to communicate with Mr. H. G. Swinburne, the Hon. Secretary, c/o Morning Post Building.

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WOMAN'S DEATH.

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NOTHING TO ADD.

Dr. Robertson was also present in Court, and in answer to the Coroner said he had nothing to add to the statement made by Dr. Wall.

Mr. Maitland told the Court that the police had no evidence to offer as to how or where the deceased had obtained the drug. There were innumerable places in Shanghai where drugs could be procured.

The Coroner said that there appeared to be no reason why the inquiry should be adjourned and the investigation had been a very exact one. This was necessary in view of the fact that the deceased had died in the custody of the goal authorities and it was a statutory duty, under English law, that an inquiry should be held.

The two points to be decided were, whether the deceased committed suicide and whether the goal authorities were negligent.

The Coroner then went carefully over the evidence which had been produced and having reviewed it all, said: "The deceased never said that she was going to take her life and there was no evidence to show that she committed suicide. I am inclined to the belief that she took the drug more with the idea of forgetting her troubles and going to sleep. The evidence was rather to the contrary that she committed suicide."

NO NEGLIGENCE.

"As to the negligence of the authorities, my first difficulty is that I have no evidence before me as to when the drug was taken. I have the doctor's evidence that in spite of the negative results of the analysis, the cause of death is from some hypnotic or narcotic drug. I am less satisfied with that, but it is the only evidence I have, and the police tell me they can find no evidence as to where the deceased got the drug."

"If she took the drug before she came into the hands of the Municipal authorities, obviously there can be no negligence at all. Did she take it in Court here, when she was not in sight of Inspector Tinkler? It is obvious that no blame in any way can be attached to the Sub-Inspector for allowing the deceased to go into the lavatory; it is obvious he could not have followed her. So far as Inspector Tinkler is concerned I say emphatically that no blame can be attached to him."

The Coroner also exonerated the Assistant Gaoler, Mr. Franklin, and the wardresses from any blame in the matter. He made the suggestion, however, that in future when female prisoners were brought before the Court they should be accompanied by a wardress.

The verdict was returned as above.

DARING EXPLOIT.

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room is about eight feet square, the Captain's bathroom the tiniest imaginable, and the sailors' quarters are so cramped and stuffy that it is amazing how the men can endure them in the tropics.

A Straits Times representative who was shown over the Hamburg by Captain Kirchheiss retains a vivid mental impression of the ship's cook, an athletic young German, stripped to the waist, perspiring in a tiny cubby-hole rich with culinary odours and hot beyond imagination—an excellent place in a North Sea winter, but insupportable on a sultry morning in Singapore.

SPORTING CREW.

What were formerly the fishermen's quarters are now the navigating room, complete with wireless set, charts, and instruments, and throughout the ship every hole and corner has been cleverly utilised.

Five men is the absolute minimum for working a vessel of this size, and while they nominally do watches of four hours each they find themselves working most of the time.

The crew are German youths of good family, cadets of the mercantile marine, and they are standing the strain admirably, Captain Kirchheiss says.

After spending a few days in Singapore the Hamburg will go on to Batavia, and from there up to the China ports and Japan.

SIAMESE ROYALTY.

ENTERTAINED AT HONGKONG HOTEL.

At the Hongkong Hotel to-day, a luncheon was given by Mr. J. T. Bagram (Honorary Consul for Siam) and Mrs. Bagram in honour of H. R. H. Prince Dhanj of Siam, H. S. H. Princess Sibpan, His Excellency the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) and Lady Clementi. Princess Sibpan is a sister of Prince Dhanj, who is at present on an educational tour of the Far East. It will be remembered that they passed through Hongkong some few weeks ago, since when they have been in the Philippines, and from here, they go on to Shanghai and Japan.

The Prince and Princess arrived at the Hotel shortly before one o'clock, being followed a little later by Sir Cecil and Lady Clementi. The guests were met on arrival by Mr. and Mrs. Bagram.

Those present at the luncheon, in addition to the distinguished principal guests, were—Major General and Mrs. C. C. Lund, the Right Rev. Bishop Valtorta, His Honour Sir Henry Gollan, Rear Admiral A. J. B. Stirling, the Hon. Mr. W. T. and Mrs. Southern, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, the Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, the Hon. Mr. H. T. and Mrs. Cressy, the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow and Lady Chow, His Honour Mr. Justice Wood and Mrs. Wood, the Hon. Mr. H. W. and Mrs. Bird, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, the Hon. Dr. W. V. M. and Mrs. Koch, Colonel and Mrs. Russell Brown, Mr. A. H. Barlow, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. M. Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. L. Shenton, Mr. R. C. Tredwell, Mr. and Mrs. Albuquerque e Castro, Mr. L. Forster (Private Secretary to H.E. the Governor), Capt. Steele (A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor), Lieut. Johnston (A.D.C. to the General Officer Commanding), Lieut.-Commander Churcher (Secretary to the Commandant), Commander Moses, of the U.S.S. Helena, and Mrs. Moses, Mrs. W. W. Russell and Capt. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. Albuquerque e Castro, Consul General for Portugal, represented the Consular Body.

The only toasts honoured were those of H. M. King George, which was proposed by Mr. Bagram, and H. M. the King of Siam, submitted by His Excellency the Governor. The gathering was a most enjoyable function, and those present were greatly gratified at the opportunity of meeting the Prince and Princess.

Captain Kirchheiss hopes to be in Kobe in December, and he will go from there to Honolulu, but he is not certain whether he will go through the Panama Canal or round the Horn. At all events his last port before crossing the Atlantic will be New York, and he hopes to be back again in Hamburg fifteen months from now.

This voyage is purely a sporting venture, and is mainly financed by Captain Kirchheiss, although friends in Germany and elsewhere are giving assistance. The financial resources of the expedition are limited, one gathers, and sparing use has to be made of the 50 h.p. motor installed on board.

A NAVAL EXPLOIT.

Captain Kirchheiss spent seven years in the German Navy, and he took part in one of the lesser known naval exploits of the war. In 1916 a sailing ship bound from America to Norway with a cargo of cotton was captured by a German submarine. She was taken to Germany and loaded with timber which was concealed in the holds beneath motors, guns and ammunition. In 1916, with Count Luckner in command and Captain Kirchheiss as navigating officer, this ship, renamed the Seeadler (Sea Eagle) passed through the North Sea blockade under Norwegian papers, and disclosed her true identity as an auxiliary cruiser off the Spanish coast. She sank 17 merchantmen before she was wrecked on a small island in the Pacific. Her crew took to the boats, and one party was picked up and taken to Chile.

The other party, under Captain Kirchheiss, after incredible hardships, reached the Fiji Islands, where they were captured and subsequently interned in New Zealand.

EUROPEAN'S PATHETIC STORY.

FOUND ASLEEP ON STEAMER.

A pathetic story was told at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when a young Britisher, Victor Simpson, born in Riga, was charged before Mr. J. H. B. Nihill, with stowing away from Shanghai to Hongkong by the s.s. Lianan.

From the defendant's story, it appears that he was taken to Tientsin by his parents, both of whom died whilst residing in the Chinese port. On the death of his mother, three years ago, the defendant was left \$500, with which he intended coming to Hongkong to join his uncle, Mr. William S. Simpson.

After purchasing his passage to Shanghai, the defendant, with the balance of the money, sailed for that port, but during the voyage all his money was stolen. When the ship arrived in Shanghai, Simpson went on board the s.s. Lianan and saw the second officer, to whom he wanted to relate his sad story. The officer was at the time entertaining some guests and instructed the defendant to wait. It was then 11 o'clock at night and the defendant, sitting on the deck, fell asleep. The ship left at 4 o'clock the following morning, but it was not until sometime later that he was discovered asleep by one of the sailors. When taken before the master he told him of his loss.

Questioned by the Court, Capt. T. G. Beer said that after being found, Simpson told him what he had related to the Magistrate. His story about seeing the second officer was also correct and it was possible that the latter had forgotten all about Simpson, after his guests had departed.

His Worship said that in view of the defendant's youth and the story he related, he would not send him to prison. The defendant would be sent to the House of Detention pending enquiries by the police to locate his uncle.

"POPPY DAY."

EARL HAIG FUND REPORT.

We have received from the Headquarters in London an advance copy of the "Poppy Day" Report in connection with Earl Haig's British Legion Appeal Fund.

This shows that since Lord Haig instituted "Poppy Day" in 1921, the tide of public support has steadily grown. In the first year the total collections were \$100,000, whilst for last year the figure had risen to \$392,000, the highest yet attained. This includes \$54,000 raised and administered in Scotland.

The collections from Overseas were practically doubled last year, and included \$2,436 from Hongkong and China.

Under the Fund, arrangements have now been made whereby wreaths of Flanders poppies, made by ex-Service men employed at the British Legion factory can be placed in individual graves in France and Flanders.

The Fund is doing a fine work in assisting ex-Service men and women, and particular mention may be made of the sanatorium village settlement near Aylesford, where nearly 200 men are found employment.

LONDON FLOODS.

VIOLENT THUNDERSTORM.

Rugby, Sept. 1.
A brief but violent thunderstorm which broke over London this morning did considerable damage. There were many narrow escapes, but no lives were lost.

Streets in the low-lying localities were flooded, and the electric railway service between the City and Kew was disorganised, owing to the current being cut off through the flooding of the track.

The building's struck included an elementary school buildings and ten houses. Two tramway cars, of which one was set on fire, were also struck, and, owing to the floods, it became necessary temporarily to re-route certain bus services.—British Wireless.

Mr. Greenwood, police armourer, has reported that between 11 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. yesterday, some person stole from his sidecar, which was in Des Voeux Road, a set of tools, valued at \$10.

The debt on the new Church of Christ in China, for the Building Fund of which a bazaar is being opened to-day, is \$40,000, and not \$4,000, as previously stated.



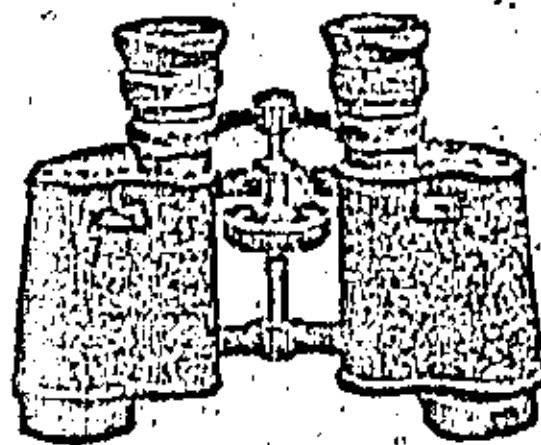
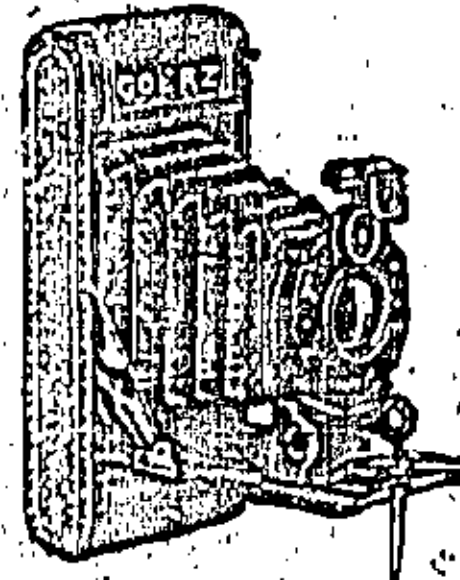
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FRENCH SEAMEN DEFY
POLICE.FINES FOLLOW ARMS
SEIZURE.

There was a sequel at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, afternoon to incidents which occurred on the French mail steamer *Angers* earlier in the day when police and Revenue officers boarded the vessel in search of arms and drugs.

Two French seamen appeared before Mr. J. H. B. Nihill, each charged with the possession of an automatic pistol and 100 rounds of ammunition.

Both men pleaded guilty, saying they bought the arms at Port Said because they were cheap. They wanted them for their own use on their return to Marseilles.

Mr. C. G. Zardue, who appeared for the Police, was asked if he had any statement to make in connection with the case. He replied he had not wished to say except that he was instructed by the Captain Superintendent of Police that they did not wish to press the charge. They did not ask for imprisonment.

Mr. Nihill said in view of what the police had said he would impose a fine of \$200 with the alternative of four months' hard labour.

Huge Drug Seizure.

The Revenue Officers, including C. P. O. Clarke, S. R. O. Watt, and Revenue Officers Beattie and Ward, together with the Chinese, made a thorough search of the vessel. In the baggage hold they discovered seven large trunks believed to contain between 8,000 and 10,000 ounces of morphine. If this is correct it is probably the biggest seizure of drugs ever made, and certainly the largest in the Far East.

A Japanese was taken into custody in connection with these discoveries and he will appear before the Magistracy in due course. In some quarters it is stated that the value of the haul is something like \$500,000 but this should be accepted with reserve in view of the fact that no official estimate is yet forthcoming.

The trunks were taken to the Central Police Station yesterday afternoon, but even at that time no complete examination of the contents had been made.

SHANGHAI MILL
TROUBLE.FOREMAN WAYLAIED AND
SHOT.

Shanghai, Sept. 1.

This morning a Chinese foreman employed in the Ewo Cotton Mills was waylaid in a wayside road in the eastern district by a gang of armed men who shot and mortally wounded him with six bullets.

The foreman before his death was unable to make a statement identifying his assailants. Hitherto there have been no arrests.

Meantime a meeting of the strike pickets committee has authorised pickets to resort to the use of axes, iron bars and arms in case of a clash with mill operatives desiring to go to work or with the police, promising compensation in the event of injury or death of picketers.—*Reuter*.

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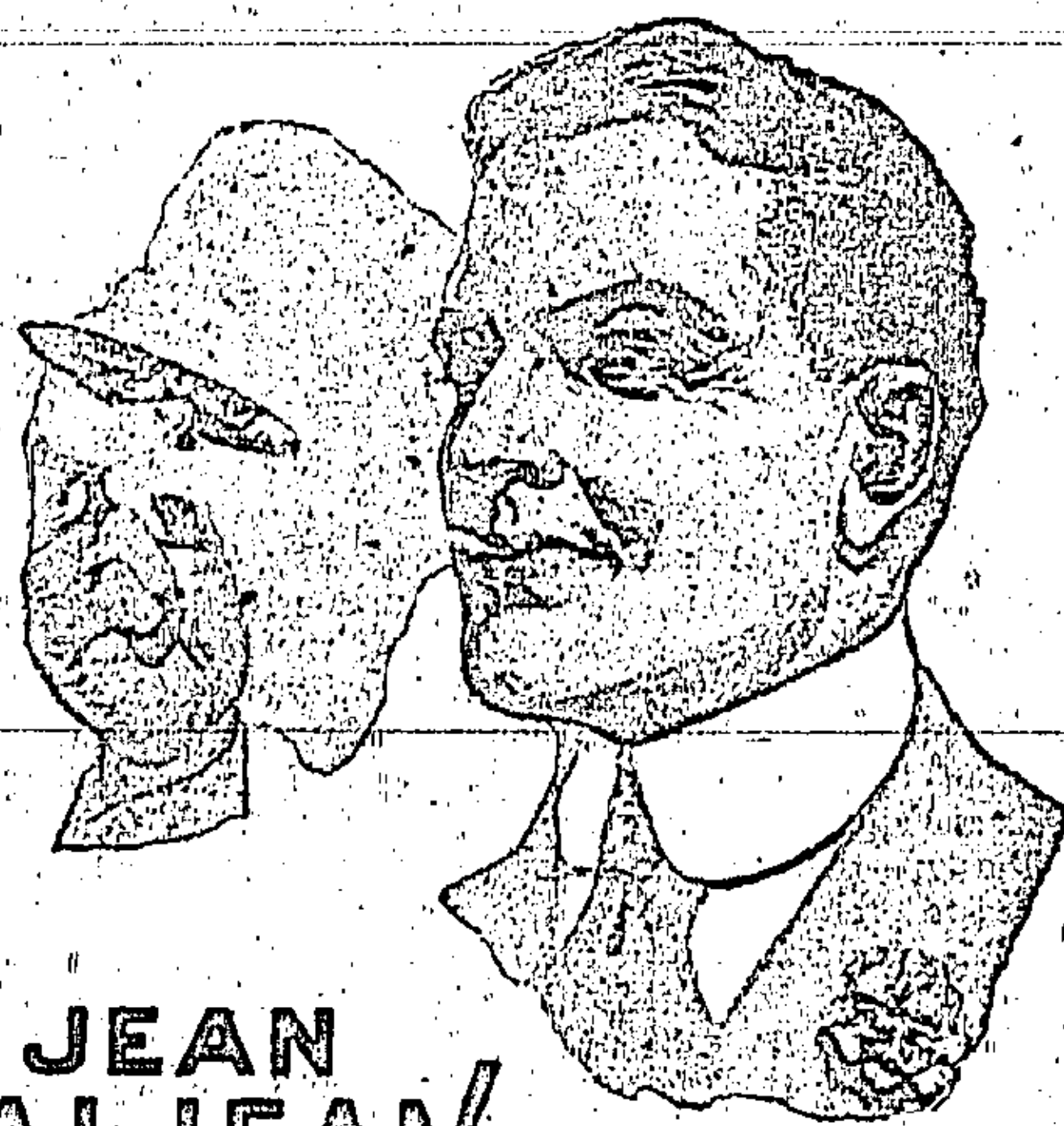
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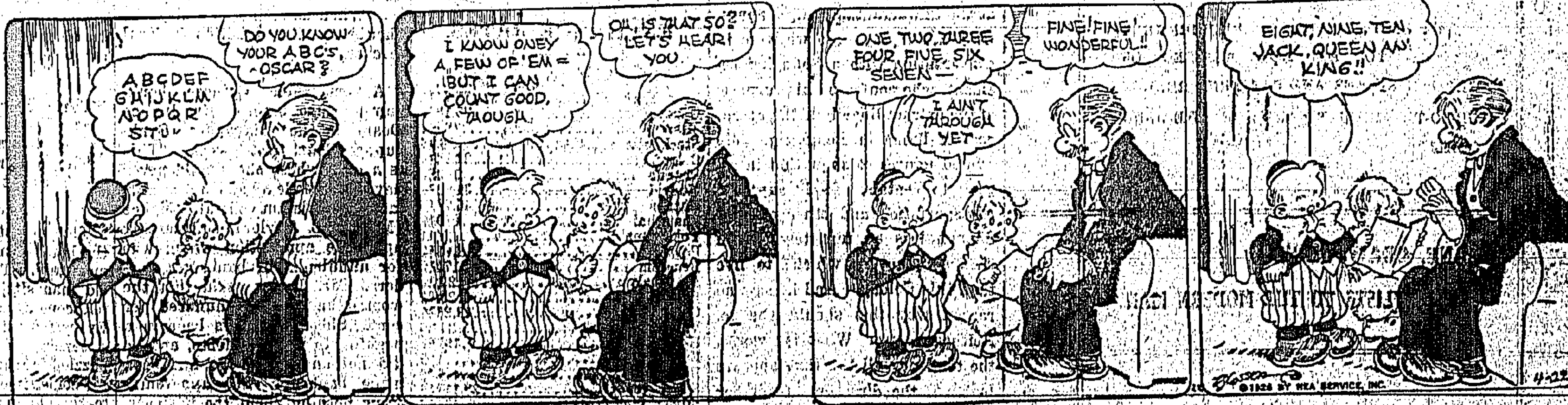
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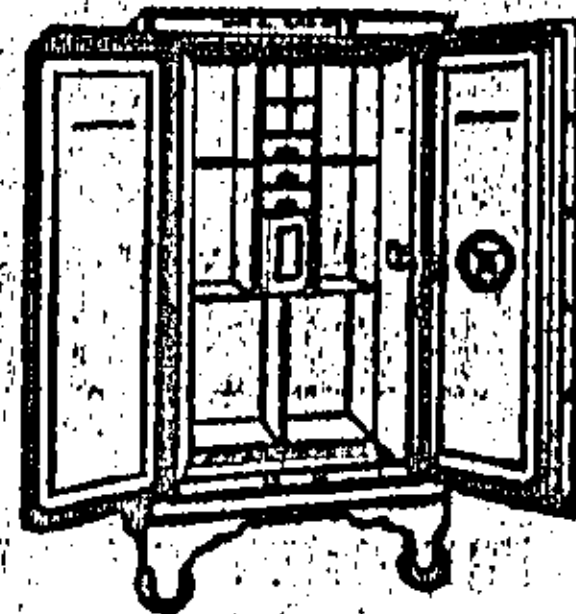
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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1926.

LIVING COSTS.

A rather pertinent suggestion
was made yesterday in our
correspondence columns by a local
resident. Observing that a Com-
mittee had recently been appointed
for the purpose of reporting upon
the Colony's bathing facilities, he
threw out the idea that another
should be called into being in
order to investigate the causes of
the high cost of living here. After
all, it must be conceded that, how-
ever desirable and necessary ade-
quate bathing facilities are, the
H. C. L. question is of far deeper
import, and if it were deemed wise
to enquire into the lesser question,
surely the larger issue demands
serious consideration. From that
standpoint, therefore, the plea is
well put, and we have no doubt
that a thorough investigation of
the subject would produce a
wealth of illuminating informa-
tion.

Local residents need no remind-
ing that the cost of living in this
Colony has in recent years gone
up by leaps and bounds. In fact,
it is to be doubted whether there
are many places in the world
where it is higher. Certainly,
Hongkong must hold the palm in
this respect so far as the Far East
is concerned; and it is an unen-
viable reputation to possess. As
our correspondent remarked yester-
day, it is not alone in respect
of rents that the cost of living
bears harshly on the community.
There are many other aspects of
the problem, all no doubt closely
related and springing, for the most
part, from a common cause.
Building costs, to name only one
matter, are extraordinarily high,
and investigation of this particu-
lar point would doubtless reveal,
besides contractors' rings, many
factors keeping construction costs
at an unwarrantably high figure.
Only a few days ago we were in
conversation with a Shanghai re-
sident, who confessed his surprise
at the extraordinarily high general
cost of living in Hongkong. He
quoted figures to show that in re-
gard to rentals, food supplies,
transportation and other charges
Shanghai is an infinitely much
cheaper place in which to live
than this Colony. And he saw no
reason why this should be so.
Neither do we. What is worse,
the tendency all the time appears
to be in the direction of further
increases, so that those who came

out to Hongkong with the even-
tual object of returning to the
Old Country are finding their
dreams receding into the dim and
distant future, whilst many have
already begun to realise that their
hopes will never be realised. And
it must not be forgotten that not
only is the European community
affected by this increasing diffi-
culty of making ends meet, but the
Chinese and all other sections of
the population are being just as
hardly hit.

Unhappily, past experience
would seem to show that Commis-
sions do not produce very valuable
results; not that the fault is theirs,
but their reports are all too often
pigeon-holed in official archives,
there to remain, with little or noth-
ing done in the way of carrying
out the recommendations put for-
ward. None the less, we feel
that an investigation of living
costs would reveal such a state of
affairs that action of some kind
would have to be taken. This
much is certain, that unless some-
thing is done to bring the curve
down, it will be found increasing-
ly difficult for residents to carry
on here. We commend the whole
subject to the Government's notice,
knowing that anything done to
cope with the problem would be
deeply appreciated by all sections
of the community.

The Coal Issue.

Everybody will be awaiting with
the greatest interest the out-
come of the meeting of the
Miners' Delegate Conference
which is, being held in London
to-day, for upon the temper and
spirit in which the district dele-
gates deal with the problem of
making an offer depends the
fulfilment of the hopes that were
raised by Tuesday's discussion in
the House of Commons. It has
been said that there is not much
likelihood of the delegates depart-
ing from the stand previously
taken, but against that has to be
placed the greater realisation
that the outstanding differences
which are, preventing agreement
are small and by no means in-
superable. We think that Mr.
Winston Churchill made a very
valuable contribution to the de-
bate, for he showed how futile it
was for the miners to stand rock-
like on their present ground.
They had to make an overture of
some kind or another before any-
thing else would happen, and it
is the realisation of that which
will, most probably, induce the
delegates to formulate proposals
on which they can go to the
Government and ask for a three-
party conference. The Govern-
ment has promised every possible
support except that of monetary
assistance, and Mr. Churchill's
assurance that the Government
intends to press forward in legis-
lating for the reorganisation of
the industry ought to do much to
convince those who hitherto have
looked upon the Government's
attitude with distrust. Mr.
Churchill's speech was a plain,
straightforward outline of the
position, serving the purpose of re-
vealing the essentials. Original-
ly, our sympathies were with the
miners, as were the sympathies of
the majority, and in spite of all
that has happened since the strike
began, we would still like to see
a fair and honourable settlement.
But we cannot see any hope of at-
taining such a settlement unless
the miners face the economics of
their industry and are prepared
to accept them for what they are.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Rugby, Sept. 1.
New York	4.65 7/8
Geneva	25.13 1/2
Milan	185 1/2
Stockholm	18.14
Oslo	22.14 1/2
Prague	163 1/2
Madrid	31.22 1/2
Buenos Aires	57.7 1/2
Shanghai	2/9 1/2
Yokohama	1/11
Paris	163 1/2
Brussels	174 1/2
Amsterdam	12.1 1/2
Berlin	12.9 1/2
Copenhagen	12.28 1/2
Cyprus	34.50
Helsingfors	102 1/2
Bombay	1/5
Hongkong	2/2
Silver (spot)	28.11 1/2
Silver (forward)	28.13 1/2

—British Wireless

DAY BY DAY.

CHEERFUL LOOKS MAKE EVERY
DISH A FEAST, AND IT IS THAT
WHICH CROWNS A WELCOME.—Mas-
singer.

Three further Chinese cases of
typhoid fever were notified yester-
day.

The rainfall recorded at the
Botanic Gardens during August
totalled 8.15 inches. The heaviest
fall was 1.10 inch on the 2nd.

Miss Ruth St. Denis, Mr. Ted
Shawn and the entire company of
the Denishawn Dancers are stay-
ing at the Glenelg Hotel.

We are notified by the Colonial
Secretary that quarantine restric-
tions have been imposed against
arrivals from Tsingtao on account
of cholera.

Mr. F. Vilas, freight agent for
the Dollar Line, was removed to
the French Hospital yesterday
for immediate operation for ap-
pendicitis.

Under the auspices of the
R.A.O.B. Institute, a concert is to
be given to-night at the R. N. Can-
teen in aid of the dependents of
the late B. Q. S. M. Jacobs.

A parcel of opium valued at
\$5,000, destined for Manila, is
reported to have been found on
the Empress of Canada on Mon-
day. No one owned it.

Mr. F. Cleme of the China Light
and Power Co., was removed to the
French Hospital yesterday suffering
from appendicitis. It is understood
that an operation will take place
to-morrow.

Lady Clementi is this afternoon
opening the bazaar in aid of the
Building Fund of the Church of
Christ in China, at Bonham Road.
Over a hundred Chinese women
and girls will be in charge of the
stalls.

Amongst the passengers who ar-
rived from Home by the P. and O.
liner Kashgar to-day were Mr. and
Mrs. Lissaman, Surgeon Lieut.
Commandr. A. North, Engr.-Lieut.
Roberts, Mr. D. W. Phillips Mr.
A. da Rosa.

Dr. Neville Bradley, the found-
er of the C. M. S. Hospital in
Yunnan-fu, is returning to Eng-
land on furlough by the Empress
of Canada. News has been re-
ceived that Mrs. Bradley is mak-
ing a splendid recovery from the
effects of a serious motor accident
with which she met in England a
few weeks ago.

The Bishop of Victoria and Mrs.
Duppy returned from Yunnan
yesterday, as well as the follow-
ing missionaries:—Rev. C. I. and
Mrs. Blanchett, Miss Blanchett,
the Rev. E. W. L. and Mrs. Martin,
Mr. E. G. Stewart, Mrs. L. Cooper,
Rev. R. F. Lankaster, Miss G.
Bendelack, Miss J. L. Vincent and
Miss D. Wise.

Two further cases of piracy are
reported, one on a steamer run-
ning on the West River between
Sauchow and Hokow, in which all
the passengers were kidnapped,
and the other on a cargo junk ply-
ing between Fatsan and Chun
Chuen, from which all the cargo
was taken and the junk left strand-
ed, with the whole crew bound and
gagged.

Mr. H. N. Balhatchet, son of Mr.
Balhatchet, of Penang, who accom-
panied the team of Hongkong
cricketers to Malaya about a month
or so ago, is still on holiday and is
staying with his father at Leith
Street, says a Penang paper. Mr.
Balhatchet, jr., however, will be
returning to Hongkong shortly
and it will probably not be very
long before he comes back to
Malaya after passing his B. A.
degree for which he is at short-
ly. When he settles in Malaya he
should be an acquisition to local
cricket.

A remarkable Chinese bank-
ruptcy came before Mr. Justice
Deane in the Singapore Bank-
ruptcy Court last week. "This
is a case where she should never
have been made a bankrupt at all,"
said the Assistant Official Assignee
(Mr. W. C. Taylor), commenting
upon the application which was
for annulment of bankruptcy or-
ders. Mr. Taylor said that the
woman had paid a hundred per-
cent. She had always been in a
position to pay her debts, and he
did not know why she had been
made bankrupt. She apparently
knew nothing about the business.
The application was granted.

**NEW CONSTITUTION
FOR CHINA.**

**YOUNG LAWYER VISITOR'S
AMBITION.**

The drafting of a Constitution
for China on the lines of the
American Constitution, is the
ambition of Dr. Tsun Kit Wong,
who arrived in Hongkong this
morning on his way to Canton,
after eleven years study of law
in the United States. He thinks
militarism in China will die a
natural death.

Talking with a *Telegraph* rep-
resentative this morning, Dr. Wong,
who intends to practice law in
Shanghai, said that he did not pro-
pose to enter the political field,
though he had made a study of
international law, and proposed
next year to go to Oxford in order
to give further study to the sub-
ject.

His father is a well-known
Canton merchant, and Dr. Wong
is on his way to see him after
eleven years' absence.

RECORD FLIGHT.

OVER 3,000 MILES NON-STOP.

Paris, Sept. 1.
The French aviators Challe and
Werzer have arrived at Bunder-
abbas, after a nonstop flight from
Paris, beating the world record
non-stop flight, held by the Frenc-
man, Girier, from Paris to Omsk.
—*Reuter*.

[Bunderabbas is at the mouth
of the Persian Gulf, and the
shortest possible distance between
the point named and Paris is just
over 3,100 miles.—Ed. H.K.T.]

BRITAIN & GREECE.

**NEW GOVERNMENT
RECOGNISED.**

Rugby, Sept. 1.
The British Charge d'Affaires in
Athens has been informed that he
may establish normal relations with
the new Greek Government of Gen-
eral Kondylis.

The Note of the Greek Minister
in London notifying the Foreign
Secretary that Admiral Comdouris-
otis has re-assumed the Greek
Presidency, and that a new Govern-
ment has been formed, has been
formally acknowledged.—*British
Wireless*.

SENSATION IN JAVA.

**ALLEGATION OF MURDER
AGAINST EUROPEAN.**

According to an article publish-
ed in a Bandoeng paper on Satur-
day, August 21st, it is alleged that
while Mr. Lambach and his wife
were walking at 9.30 a.m. in Ban-
doeng, they were attacked by a cer-
tain Mr. F. de Smedt, a Belgian,
just near the entrance to the sport
field, "Nieuw-Houtrust" and the
"Preanger" Mineral Water Fac-
tory.

Mr. F. de Smedt, residing at
Tjikawao, it is alleged, attacked
Mr. Lambach with a sharp razor,
seriously wounding him. Mr. Lam-
bach was conveyed to a hospital
by Dr. Loah, who rendered assis-
tance in the first instance.

Mr. Lambach was later operated
upon at Bandoeng Hospital where
he died.

A large crowd of people had, in
the meantime, gathered around Mr.
F. de Smedt, who was later arrest-
ed by a detective and taken to the
office of the Commissioner of
Police.

Certain European witnesses gave
evidence and the razor is in the
possession of the police.

It is alleged that Mr. de Smedt
was sentenced to one month's im-
prisonment for insulting Mrs. Lam-
bach. The cause of the whole
affray is believed to be a family
affair.

The deceased is a brother of a
former director of the K.P.M., and
was in the employ of the K.P.M.,
as agent at Bandjermasin, from
which he resigned and was latter-
ly in the employ of the Java States
Railways at Bandoeng. Mrs. Lam-
bach, in attempting to defend her
husband from coming in contact
with Mr. F. de Smedt, received
severe injuries in her hands, three
of her fingers were nearly cut off.

A later report received by Aneta
from Bandoeng states that Mr. de
Smedt was confronted with the
body of Mr. Lambach, and in a
statement made at the time, it is
alleged, he said that he had in-
tended attacking Mr. Lambach ow-
ing to certain family affairs.

A Chinese, who attempted to
commit suicide by jumping into the
harbour at Kowloon City, was re-
scued. He is believed to be insane.

The local weather forecast till
noon to-morrow is:—West or
variable winds, light; fine. The
Observatory report further states
that the depression to the south-
east of Naha is moving northward.
It may develop into a typhoon.

The Very Idea!

One by one Florenz Ziegfeld is
deserting his old gods. First he
ceased to burn incense before artis-
tic undress. Now he has sternly
turned his back on blondes, though
some of the most famous of his
stars and show girls were decidedly
of the type that gentlemen are re-
ported to prefer.

In his specifications for the 1926
chorus girl Mr. Ziegfeld has de-
creed, "She will not be a blonde."
Has he forgotten such glorified
ladies as Mae Murray, Marion
Davies, Mary Eaton, Justine John-
son, Martha Lorber, Dorothy Mac-
Neill, Hilda Ferguson and Helen
Worthing? All of them were
blondes and proud of it.

Even in his current show are
such fair-haired beauties as Greta
Nissen, Claire Luce, Edna Leedom
and Paulette Goddard. Mr. Zieg-
feld by his glorification process
helped to bring them to fame, it is
true, but they demand, did they
not also assist in glorifying Mr.
Ziegfeld?

Possibly, says Mr. Ziegfeld, but
nevertheless the gentlemen who
comprise his audiences prefer red-
heads and brunettes, and so the
blonde must go—as far as the near-
est beauty parlor, at least.

Some cherries grew upon a
tree.
A youngster wandered by.
The farmer wasn't looking, so
The next day—cherry pie!

The tourists, having lunched at
the hotel, climbed to the top of the
mountain. There they saw a hale
old man sitting on a rock with a
telescope a yard long in his hands.
Every few minutes he would let out
a series of loud whoops. The
puzzled tourists looked and listened
for some time. Then they went up
to the old man and their leader
said—

"Why, old friend, do you peer so
anxiously through your telescope,
and then cry aloud as if in pain at
what you see?"

The old man frowned at the tour-
ist and answered impatiently—
"If you talk to me you'll distract
my attention and I'll lose my job.
I'm the echo for this district."

He really thought that he could
sing.

With voice as fine as silk.
At three a.m. he chirped a tune
And soured the morning's
milk.

Aunt Mary (horrified): Good
gracious, Harold, what would your
mother say if she saw you smoking
cigarettes?

Harold (calmly): She'd have a
fit. They're her cigarettes.

During a period in industrial
history when strikes cost millions
of dollars both to employer and
worker, the example of Arthur
Nash, "Golden Rule" Nash of Cin-
cinnati, stands out as a shining
light.

Nash is a clothing manufacturer.
In 1918 he had a \$152,000 business.
This year it will reach something
like \$20,000,000. The golden rule
has built it. Nash's plan is not
profit-sharing, but a wage scale
worked out so that a small profit
goes to the company, the rest to
employees. Every increase in
wages is based on increased pro-
duction. Each employee, from
scrub-woman to designer, gets the
same share in the wage increase
as an addition to the base pay.

Mrs. Gordon came into the house
Every few minutes he would let out
a series of great "ahs."
"Tammis, Tammis," she exclaim-
ed, "there's a cow in the garden."
"Dinna stand there wastin' valu-
able time," replied Tammis, "get
back and milk it afore it gets off."

MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

Music At Lane, Crawford's—New Records—Chopin's Preludes—Inspiration in Music.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., are to be congratulated on furnishing a pianist, violinist and 'cellist, who play music of a non-jazz variety in their restaurant, from 4 to 6 each day. They form a pleasant contrast to that other combination, mentioned in the last jottings. It is a nice change also to hear a British girl pianist. Miss Andrews has a sympathetic touch and a sense of rhythm, and it is a pity that the management have not so far been successful in obtaining the services of ladies for the other two instruments. I understand they aim at a ladies' trio and it is probably only a matter of time before they will secure one. The present violinist is the weak spot: he frequently plays out of tune and does not succeed in overcoming technical difficulties in many of the passages.

In supplying the pianist with Anderson's Collard and Collard Grand, those responsible for this musical venture show more discrimination than we are wont to expect in local entertainment circles. "Any old instrument will do" is only too often the maxim, and many a musical ship has been spoiled for a harbor of tar. Good luck to the venture! At present the repertoire consists of forty pieces. We should like to see it increased to 80 or 100. The players must guard against monotony, both for their own sakes and for those of the regular patrons.

Apropos of the question of wasting time listening to drivelling gramophone records, have any of you heard the Cowboy's Love Song, composed by a Cowboy and sung by a Cowboy (accompanied on a guitar) in the latest batch of Victor records? If not, and you've got the time to waste, call in at Moutrie's, prepared for the worst. It sounds like myself, singing in the bath. At least, so my family assures me. But, at any rate, I sing behind a closed door and have never dreamt of tendering my services to a Gramophone Company. If a perfectly ghastly singer like that can induce the Victor people to pay him for making a noise like a rag-and-bone man, then there's hope for some of us down-and-outs in Hongkong who are looking for a fresh source of income.

As was expected, the new Columbia "Parsifal" records sold out immediately and when more of these releases appear a larger supply should be brought here. The Magic Garden music, embodied on two records, was a delight to hear, but scarcely anyone had an opportunity of listening to it before Wagner enthusiasts walked off with the limited stock. Other good productions in the new list are Schubert's "Death and the Maiden" quartet, a piece of masterly recording, and Jarnett's "Praeludium." Then there is a batch of hackneyed ballad and instrumental recordings, for the gradual elimination of which prayers are being offered in increasing number. I am glad to see that "Marengo" has declared himself to be one of the supplicants. This month, they include "Because" (help us!), "Killarney," "Sing me to Sleep," and "I dreamt that I dwelt." There are also two terrible numbers from "Lady, Be Good." The Nell Gwyn dances are quite enjoyable.

Among Messrs. Chappell and Co's new songs, there are a number of attractive ones by familiar composers. Some of them are procurable at Moutrie's. "A Dream Garden" and "Song of a Nightingale," both by Montague Phillips, and "The Gates of If Ever," by Eric Coates, can be recommended. Molly Carew's "Advice" is a dainty little song, and so is "Wings" by D'Hardelot. "Come, cushion your head," is one of R. Coningsby Clarke's best efforts. In somewhat more "balladish" vein Haydn Wood's "Praise" and Molly Carew's "While You're Away" will make an appeal in a different quarter, while "When the Sergeant Major's on Parade" by Ernest Longstaffe should undoubtedly be popular at Volunteer "Frogs."

There recently came into my possession a programme of a Cortot recital, at which the celebrated Chopin interpreter played the 24 Preludes, of which his reading is interesting and original. He gives each of the preludes a title, prefacing the descriptions by the following:—

sumptuous to add a single remark to the musical thought of the principal works of Chopin. M. Cortot does not believe he is overstepping the mark in acting the modest role of interpreter in a sense, by adding his audience to evoke, at the same time as himself, the romantic figures, ardent, poetic and desperate, that suggest themselves to him in the pages of the music. Since there are few pianists in the Colony who do not possess a book of the Preludes, some of which they have at one time or another either learnt or tried to learn, the titles given to them by Cortot are of sufficient interest to record in full (See below).

These preludes are considered by most authorities to be the gems of Chopin's work. Huneker says:—"If all Chopin, all music, were to be destroyed, I should plead for the preludes." Schumann characterized them as most remarkable and confessed that he expected something quite different, carried out in the grand style, like his Etudes. Instead of that, he found little sketches, "the beginnings of studies," yet "in every piece we find, in his own refined hand, written in pearls, 'This is by Frederic Chopin.' Rubenstein also calls them the 'pearls' of Chopin's work."

There are 24, in the 24 different keys from C major to D minor, some of them only two or four lines long, and the longest covering three pages. In these brief sketches, Chopin covers the whole range of human emotions, from quietude and happiness to grief, despair and rage. If played through without a break, they pass from one mood to another so suddenly that they give the impression of having been placed together indiscriminately, and yet were any other of his works to be interposed in the middle of them, it would at once strike one as being out of place.

Although they are sometimes associated with Chopin's trip with George Sand and her family to Majorca, there seems no doubt that most of them were written in 1837 and 1838, before the visit in question. Chopin first met Madame Sand at a musical matinee in 1837, and his disappointment over a recent love affair coupled with his emotions when falling under a new spell are reflected in his compositions of that period. In Nov. 1838, seeing that both Chopin and her son Maurice were in bad health, George Sand proposed the visit to Majorca, and thither they went, making their sojourn in an empty monastery at Valdemosa. A few of the sadder preludes were probably composed there, the rest being touched up and finished off, and the whole opus was sent to the publisher Pleyel, in the following year. Pleyel paid 2,000 francs for them. It is interesting to note that two preludes—Nos. 4 and 6—were played at Chopin's funeral.

These are Cortot's descriptions of the Preludes. For reasons of space I have recorded them by number instead of key signature:—

1. AGITATO. "Waiting feverishly for the beloved one."
2. LENTO. "Sad meditations; in the distance a deserted sea."
3. VIVACE. "The song of the brook."
4. LARGO. "Beside a tomb."
5. ALLEGRO MOLTO. "A tree full of song."
6. LENTO ASSAI. "Homelickness."
7. ANDANTINO. "Delicious recollections float like perfume through the memory."
8. MOLTO AGITATO. "The snow falls, the wind howls, the tempest rages, but in my sad heart there is a more terrible strain."
9. LARGO. "The End of Poland."
10. ALLEGRO MOLTO. "Falling Rockets."
11. VIVACE. "A Young Girl's Wish."
12. PRESTO. "The Rider in the Night."
13. LENTO. "In a strange land, under a starry sky, thinking of the beloved one far away."
14. ALLEGRO. "A stormy sea."
15. SOSTENUTO. "A young mother rocking her child—she is half asleep herself. A frightful nightmare shows her the scaffold which is waiting for her son. While the awakening dispels her

DENISHAWN DANCERS.

BRILLIANT DISPLAY LAST NIGHT.

At the Queen's Theatre last night, the Denishawn Dancers opened their Hongkong season to a packed "house" which paid unmistakable tribute to the superb art of Ruth St. Denis, Mr. Ted Shawn and the other members of the Company who so ably support them.

The programme opened with a group of music visualisations, the first of which was the Second Arabesque (Debussy), which received a sympathetic and beautiful interpretation by the Misses Day, Douglas and Sherman. Mr. Ted Shawn's first appearance to *Adagio Pathétique* (Godard) proved to be a wonderful representation of living statuary which will long be remembered. The music of Ilgenfritz, Scriabin, Brahms, Liszt and Strauss provided the remainder of the group, of which the Brahms waltz, Op. 33, No. 15, bracketed with Liebestraum, were visualised in a strikingly beautiful and appealing manner by Miss St. Denis.

The programme was well chosen, including, in addition to the above, "Cuadro Flamenco" (A Spanish Gypsy Dance Scene) and a group of varied works of which a number of American sketches provided a touch of novelty, at the same time demonstrating the versatility of the artists. The concluding work, "Ishtar of the Seven Gates," was a fine example of spectacular pageantry in which the whole company took part. Against an imposing setting the quaint dresses of the performers provided a riot of colour, Miss St. Denis appearing wonderfully arrayed and jewel-bedecked. Although it was not difficult to follow the motive, the story should be given on the programme in order that the audience be enabled to follow it more closely.

After last night's success, there should be no seats vacant for the rest of the season, it being a rare privilege for Hongkong to be able to witness such a high standard of entertainment.

- hallucinations, it leaves her still disquieted."
16. PRESTO CON FUOCO. "The road to the abyss."
 17. ALLEGRETTO. "She told me she loved me."
 18. ALLEGRETTO MOLTO. "Imprecations."
 19. VIVACE. "Had I but wings, I would fly to you, my beloved."
 20. LARGO. "A funeral procession."
 21. CANTABILE. "Returning solitary to the spot where vows were made."
 22. MOLTO AGITATO. "Revolution."
 23. MODERATO. "Naiads playing."
 24. ALLEGRO APPASSINATO. "Du sang, de la volupté, de la mort."

Most of these titles are really excellent. It is curious that he sees no suggestion of rain in the well-known "raindrop" preludes, No. 6 and 15. Most people will disagree with his interpretation of No. 15 and some will think that the title of No. 17 spoils it. For my part, I should very much like to have further particulars as regards No. 11.

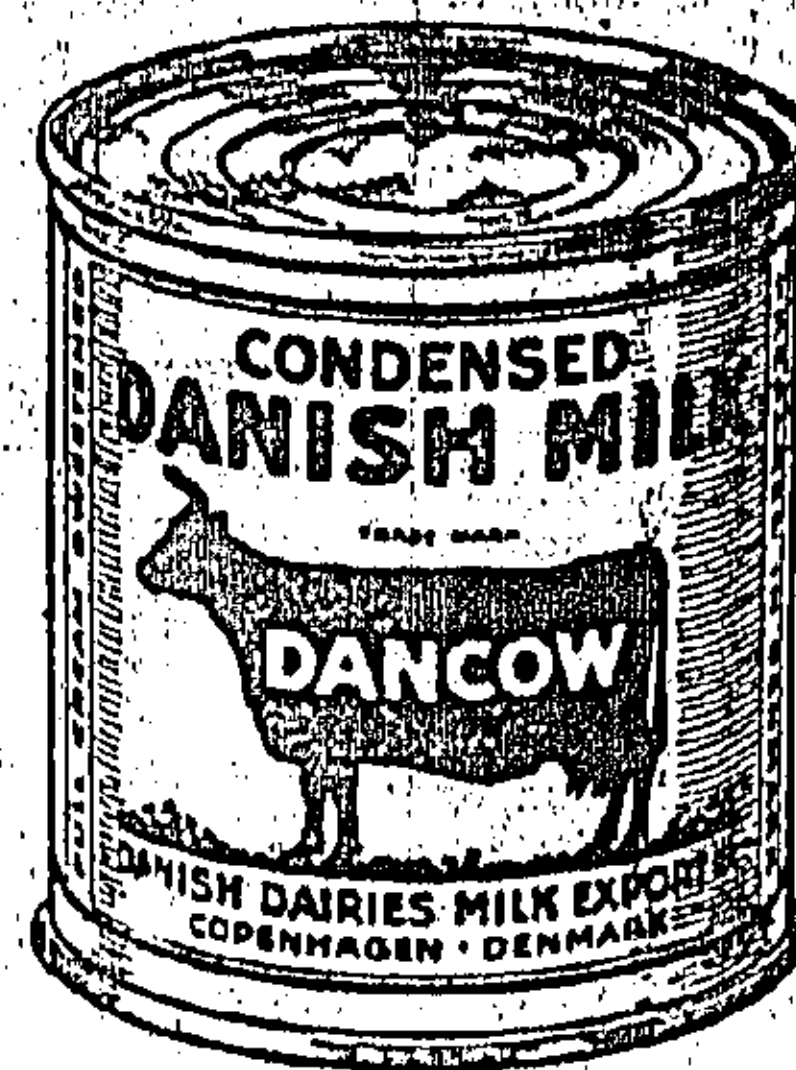
Composers do not often announce what idea has inspired them. Interpreters have to guess that for themselves. Sometimes, however, the title-page contains a quotation which gives a clue to the inspiration of the music. There is such an inscription on Louis Aubert's "Habanera" for Orchestra, consisting of several lines of Baudelaire, and a rough translation is as follows:

"Let me breathe for ever so long the perfume of thy locks, bury in them my face like a thirsty man in a cool spring, and caress them with my hand as if they were a scented scarf, to waft my recollections through the air. If thou couldst know all that I see, all that I feel, all that I hear in thy locks...! My soul soars on these perfumes, like other souls travel upon music waves!"

Yes, gentle reader, does it not make you long to hear "Habanera"? Well, I have heard it once. It is fearfully modern, exotic, voluptuous and bizarre. At the conclusion, I felt I'd like to meet the Spanish beauty whose locks inspired Monsieur Aubert to such lofty heights. I don't know who she was, but she must have been some girl. ALLEGRO.

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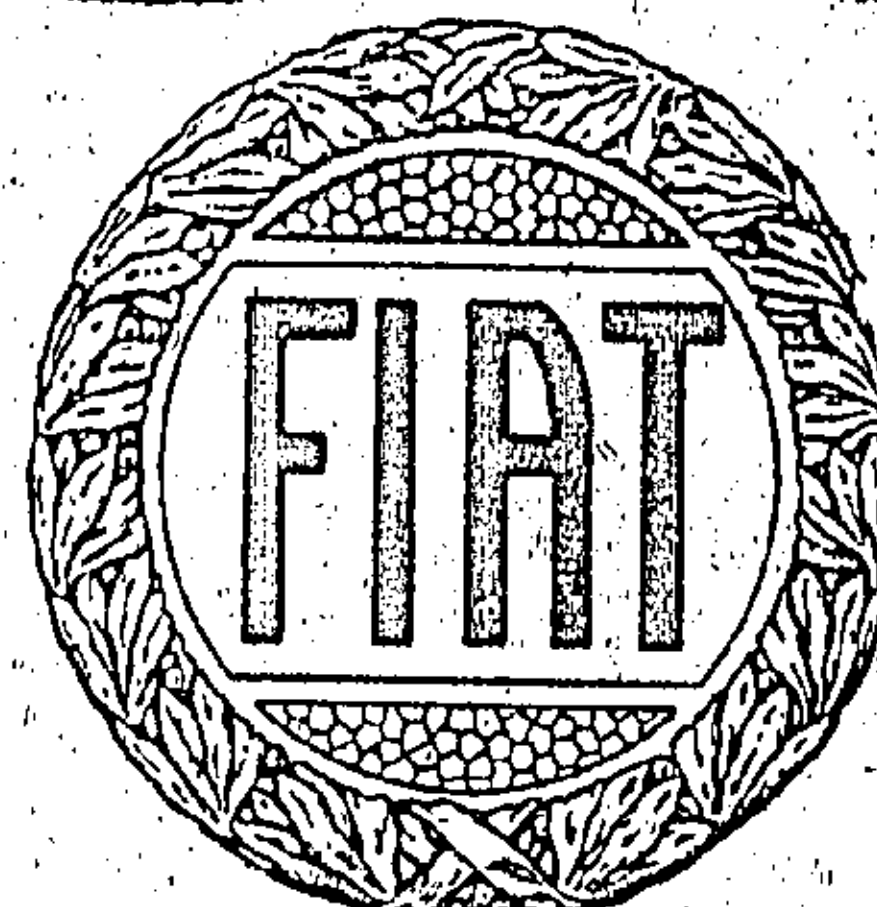
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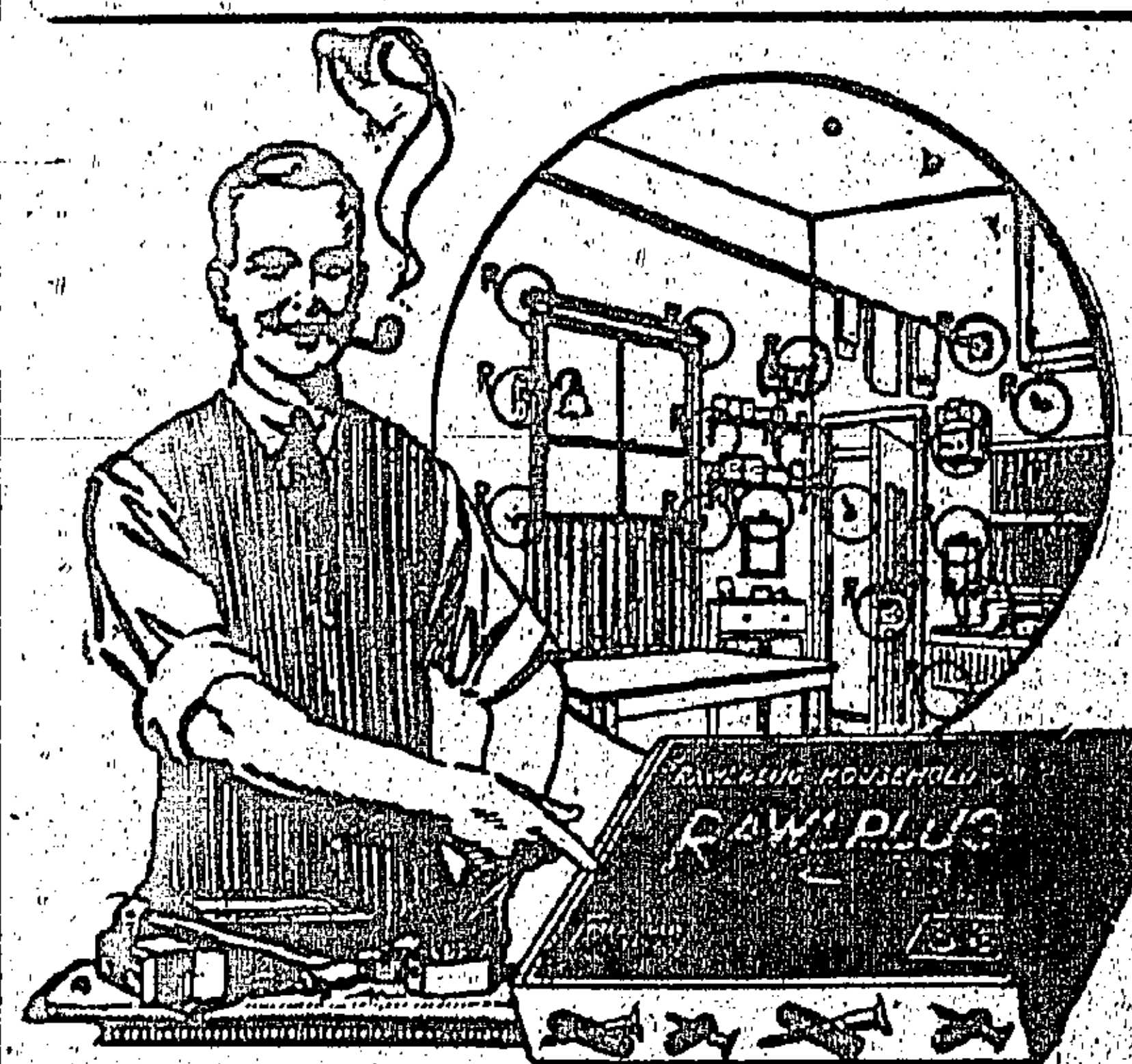
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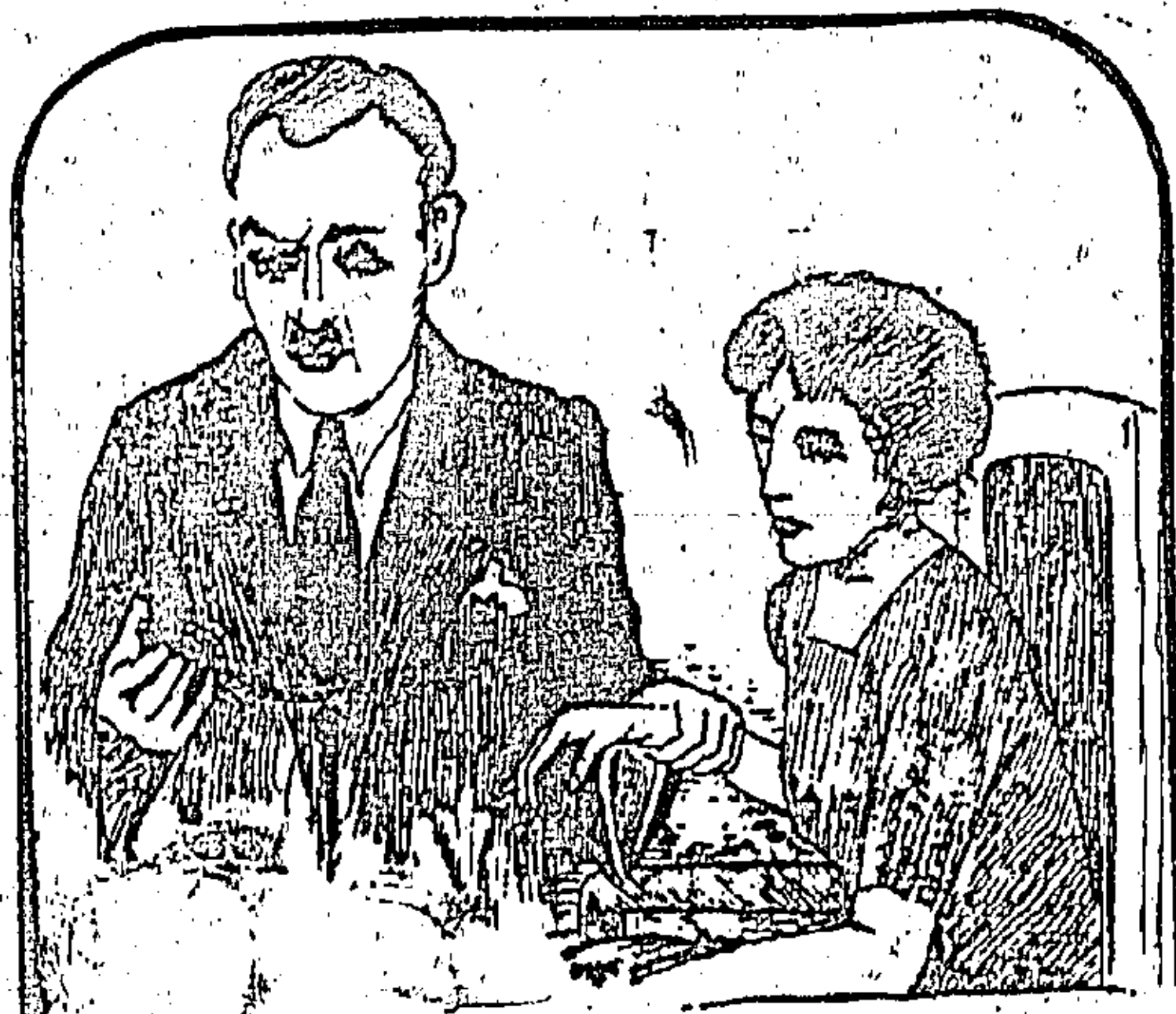
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A year ago he attended a function at Taiipo and he and Lady Clementi marked the occasion by planting two trees of "Flame of the Forest" in the Taiipo market place. Yesterday's function was held in an elaborately decorated matchless specially erected for the occasion and situated between these two trees, now very flourishing specimens.

Here the elders of the village began to assemble in the early afternoon to wait the arrival of their guests. Those present besides His Excellency and Lady Clementi, were the Hon. Mr. W. T. and Mrs. Southorn, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, C.B.E., K.C., the Hon. Mr. C. McL. Messer, O.B.E., the Hon. Mr. H. T. and Mrs. Creasy, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Mr. Justice J. R. and Mrs. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Tratman, Mr. A. Dyer Ball, Mr. J. A. Fraser, Mr. W. Schofield, Mr. W. G. and Mrs. Gerrard, Mr. and Mrs. H. Green, Mr. N. L. Smith, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, Capt. A. Steele, M.C., and Mr. B. R. Forster.

The streets round the building were decorated with flags and in a handstand erected nearby, a Chinese band dispensed music throughout the afternoon. Crowds of Chinese thronged the streets during the whole of the ceremony.

Crackers and Salute.

His Excellency arrived at 8 p.m. and was loyally greeted by strings of crackers, a 17 gun salute and by welcoming music from the Chinese band. Inside he shook hands with his hosts and took his seat at the head of the table under an illuminated address containing a congratulatory birthday message and behind a silver replica of the symbolic god of longevity.

The proceedings opened with the singing of Chinese songs by a band of Chinese schoolboys who arrived to the music of their own band. The company was then treated to a Chinese dinner, everything on the menu with the exception of the inevitable shark fins being products of the New Territories.

During the courses the chairman, Mr. Lee Chung-chong, welcomed His Excellency and his fellow guests, and offered Sir Cecil the congratulations of his many hosts. Mr. Tang then read the illuminated address and handed it to the chief guest.

His Excellency replied in what his hosts declared to be excellent Cantonese. He said:

Gentlemen of the New Territories: I am really happy to meet you all to-day at this pleasant gathering and thank you for the excellent literary address with which you have congratulated me on my birthday. I hope that you too will enjoy long life and good health.

I trust gentlemen that you will always keep me informed of affairs in the New Territories and particularly of anything which you consider may promote the interests and happiness of the people. I shall always be very glad to help you in such matters. (Applause).

At the conclusion of the dinner a group photograph of the entire company was taken outside the building and His Excellency and Lady Clementi returned to Kowloon by car.

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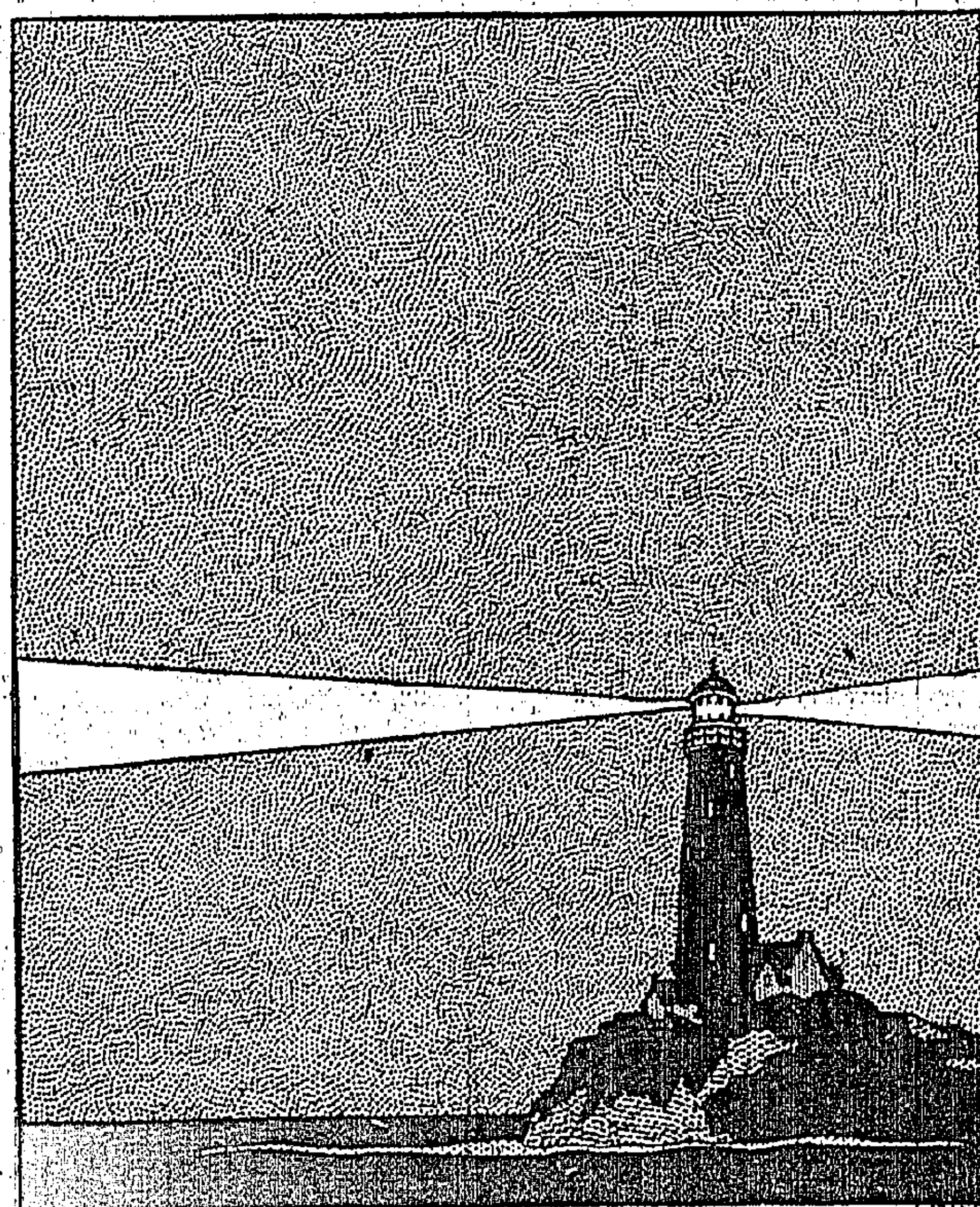
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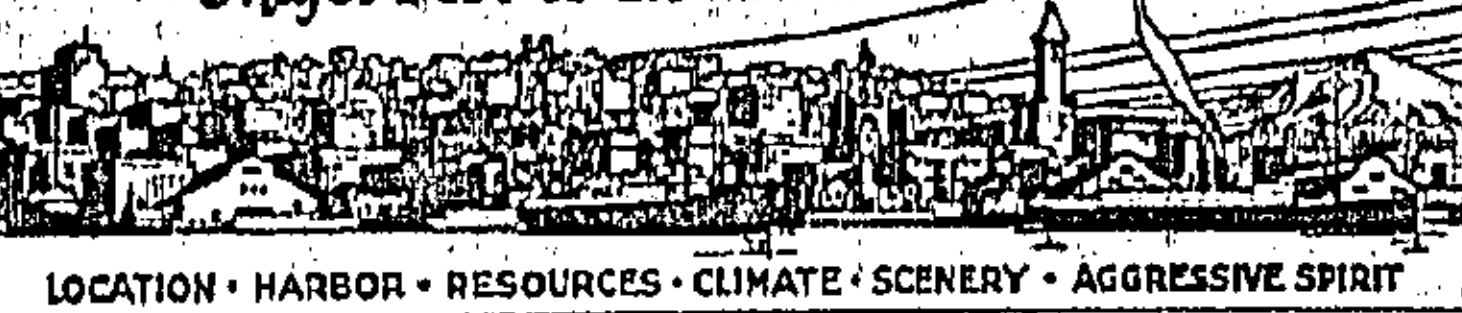
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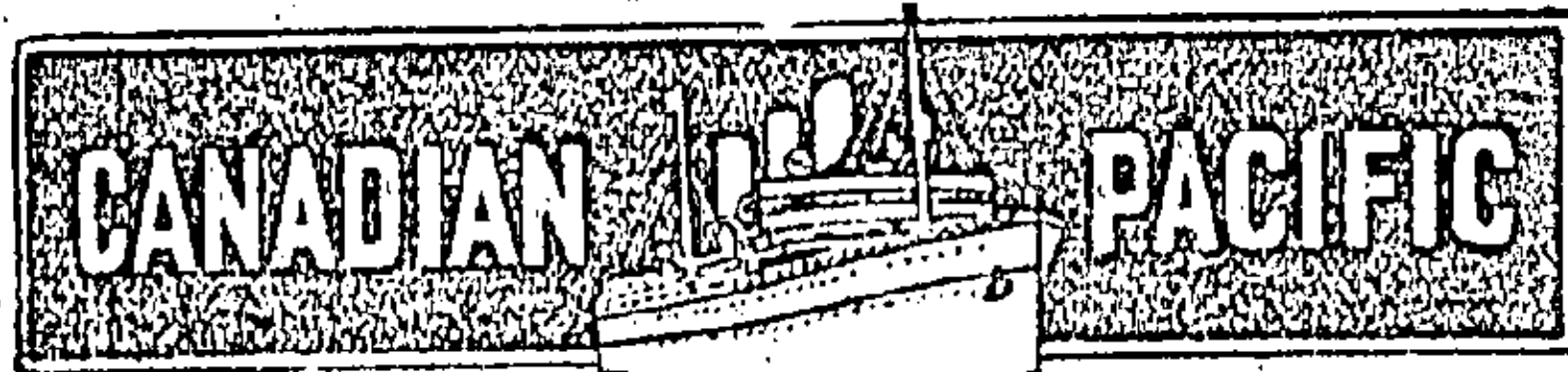
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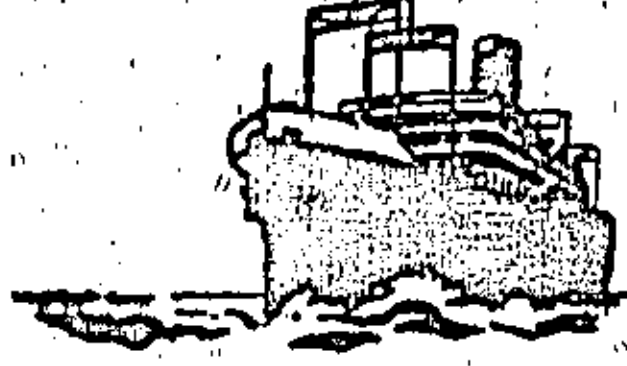
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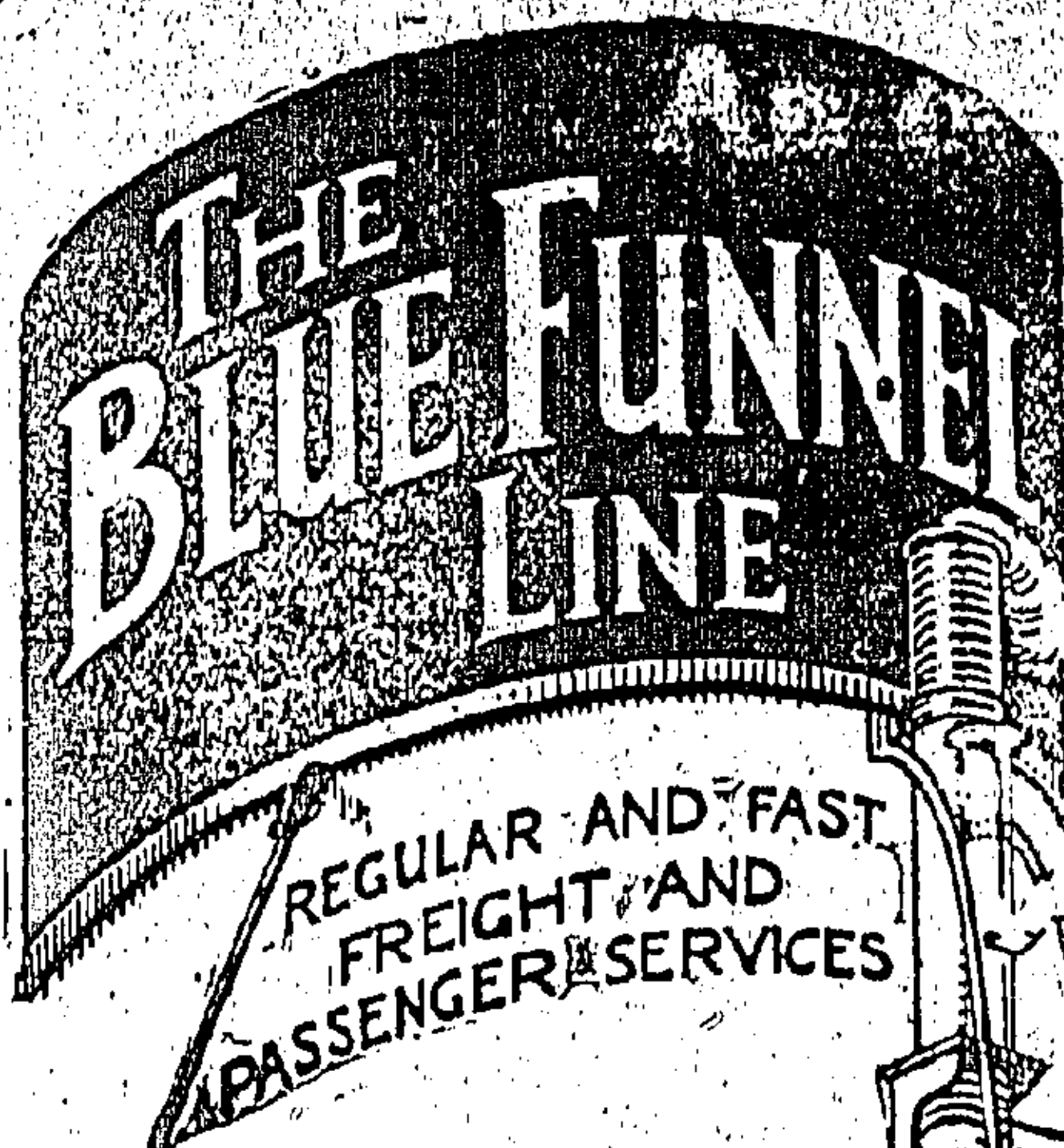
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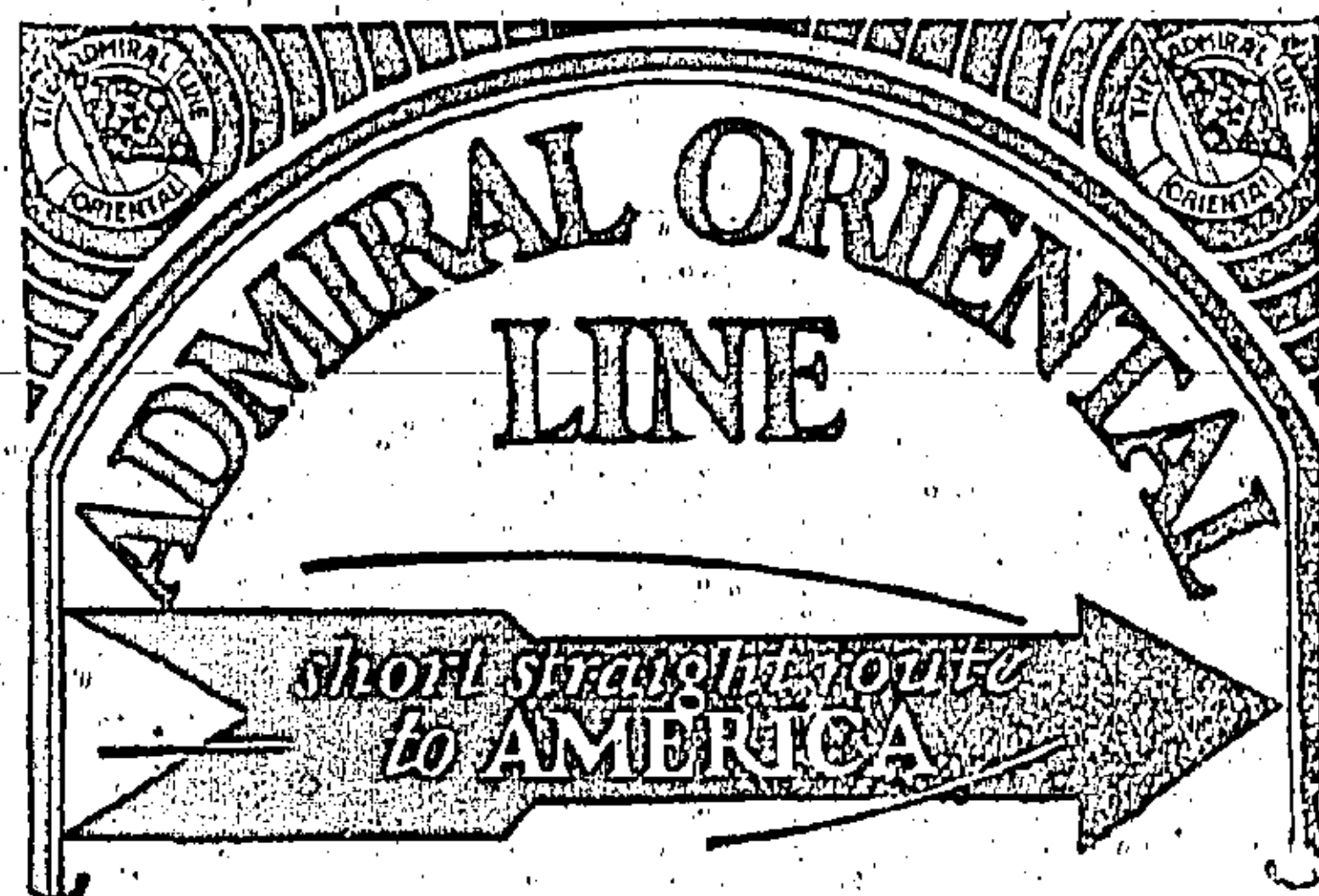
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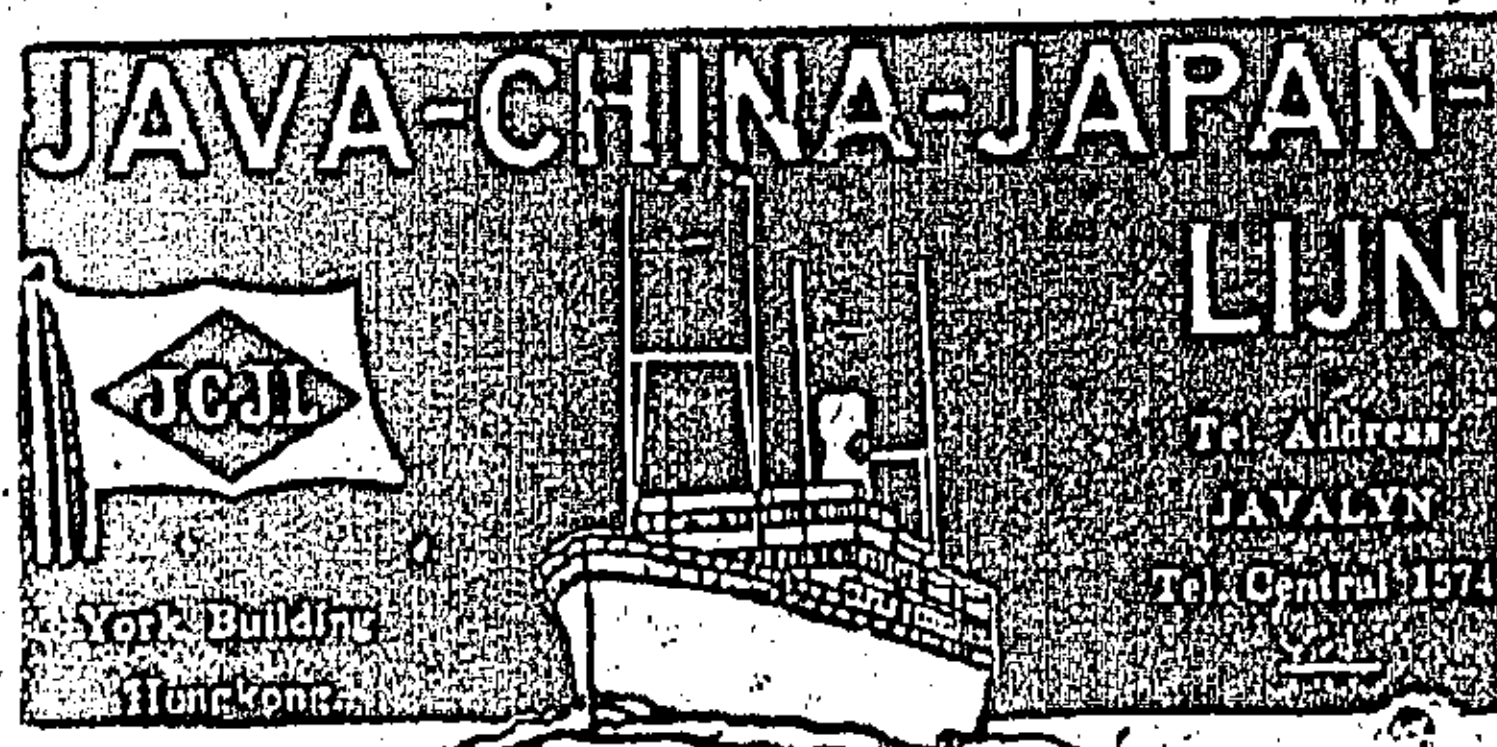
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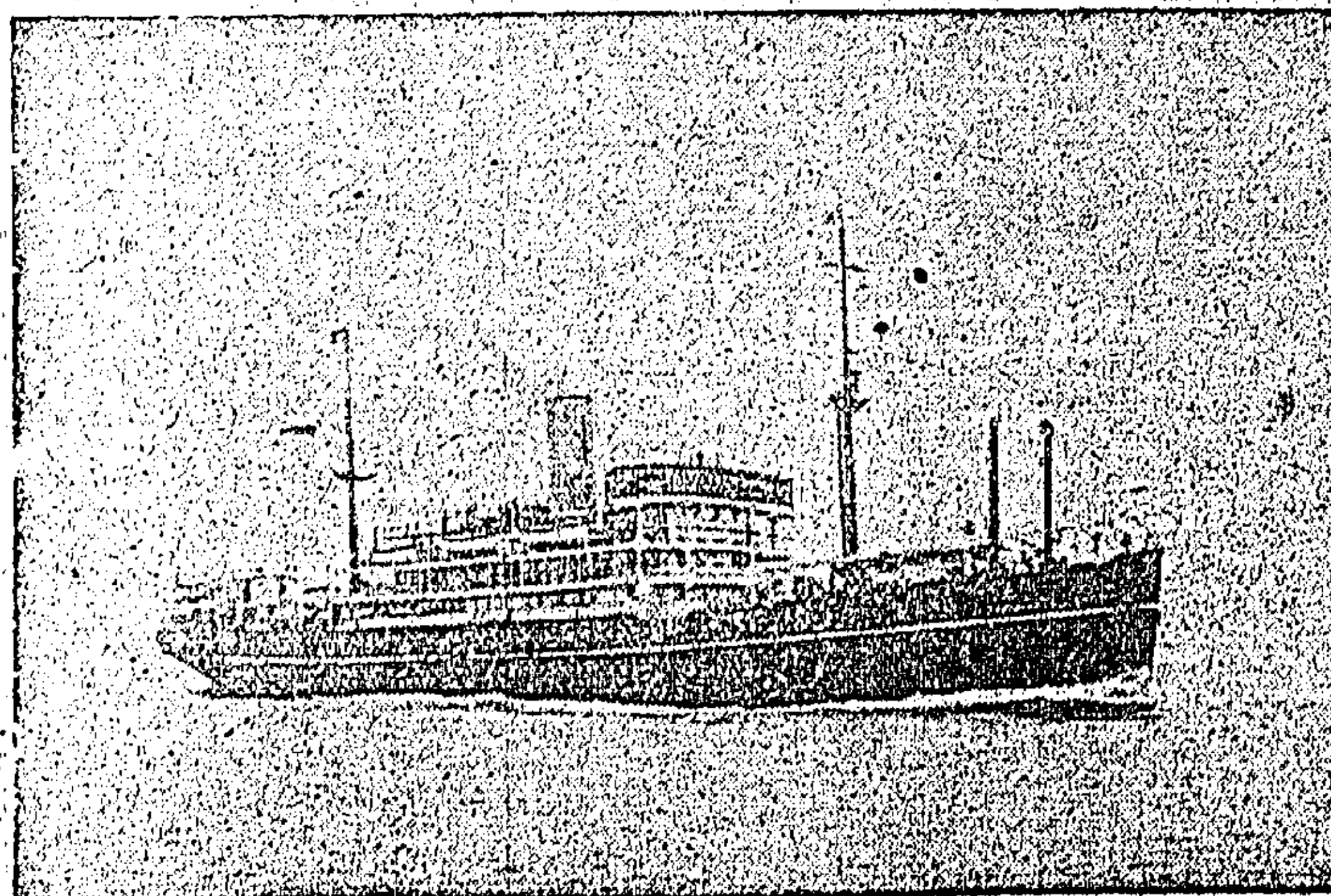
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NYANZA	7,023	26th Sept.	Shanghai Moji & Kobe
KHYBER	9,114	1st Oct.	Shanghai Moji & Kobe
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THE COAL MINING OUTLOOK.

MOVEMENT TOWARDS A SETTLEMENT.

YESTERDAY'S INTERVIEWS.

Rugby, Sept. 1.
Although no fresh move in the coal dispute is to be expected until after to-morrow's delegate Conference, further interviews took place to-day with a view to facilitating direct negotiations. The Miners' Executive met in the morning and later had a long discussion with Mr. Ramsey MacDonald and other Leaders of the Labour Party. Although nothing tangible emerged, importance is attached to this meeting in view of Mr. Winston Churchill's appeal to the miners to formulate fresh proposals.

No report has been issued in regard to the interview of Mr. Churchill and other members of the Government with the coal-owners' organisation. The Government's decision that the claim of the miners for national negotiations is reasonable, so long as the latter are prepared to advance helpful suggestions as a basis of discussion, was, it is assumed, discussed with the owners.

On the owners' behalf, it was recently stated that their central organisation had no longer power to discuss wages and conditions with the miners, the District Associations having taken back to themselves the responsibility for such negotiations. It is not yet known whether this will constitute a definite bar to proceeding with the efforts to secure a national settlement.

Meanwhile, the miners are returning to work in increasing numbers in the Midlands, and it is reported that the Lancashire and Cheshire coal-owners have invited men to discuss a local settlement. *British Wireless.*

EUROPEAN CAPTAIN FINED.

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conduct became such that he was ordered to be taken to the Government Civil Hospital for observation.

TREATED LIKE COOLIE.

When called upon to do so, the defendant made a long and somewhat involved statement. It appeared that he found he had not sufficient money on him to pay for the drinks and he was refused permission to sign a chit. He considered he had been insulted and told the manager so, and the manager rang up the Police Station. He alleged that the first witness came up to him with an antagonistic manner and would not listen to what he had to say. An Indian constable got on each side of him, and in spite of his assurances that he would go quietly, they seized him, "pushed" and "shoved" him as though he was a coolie. At the station he alleged that he was seized by about half a dozen police, when his clothes were torn from him, and he was kicked along a passage into a room. He asked leave to ring up some well-known firms in Hongkong, including the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, but this was refused him. They would not give him a drink of water, and there were about a dozen coolies outside grinning at him.

NO WITNESSES.

Defendant asked for proof of signs of disorder. He had been a respectable citizen in Hongkong for ten years, and that was the treatment he got. He admitted that he must have broken the handle when he was angry.

His Worship:—Have you any witnesses?
Defendant:—What witnesses can I have at the Police Station.
Defendant was fined \$20 on the first charge, and ordered to pay \$1.25 for the broken handle.

Before leaving the Court, defendant said he hoped that a European would not be treated like a coolie next time one was taken to the Police Station.

The manager of the Plk Ah Co., 40, Queen's Road West, reports that a foki has absconded with \$515, which sum he collected on behalf of the firm.

Subscribers to the Fanling Hunt are reminded that the first annual meeting will be held in the Jockey Club Rooms, Hongkong Club Annex, to-morrow at 5.15 p.m.

LEAGUE CRISIS.

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days. In the form in which they will be presented to the League Council for approval, the main features of Viscount Cecil's plan are retained. The Council will be increased in size by the addition of three non-permanent members. All non-permanent members will normally be elected for three years and one-third will be elected annually. The scheme provides that the Assembly may endow three of the occupants of these seats with semi-permanence by declaring them re-eligible for election for a further period of three years, after having already served for that length of time.

The discussion has, for the most part, ranged around the immediate method of election that should be adopted. The proposals now drafted, which it is taken for granted will be approved by the Council, provide that the Assembly shall decide which of the nine members elected for this year shall sit for one, and which for two and which for three years.

JOURNALIST MISSING.

BELIEVED TO HAVE FALLEN OVERBOARD.

Manila, Sept. 1.
Mr. Eric Young, a Kobe journalist en route to Manila from Hongkong by the Pres. Polk has been missing since Wednesday morning. It is believed that he fell overboard. Mr. Young's wife is in a state of nervous collapse. *—Reuter.*

The Assembly may also decide at the 1926 election, by a special two-thirds majority vote in each case, that not more than three members, however, would not deprive the Assembly of its right, which is asserted in an earlier Article of the draft, to designate as re-eligible any member or members retiring from a non-permanent seat next year or in 1928, but it would be understood that only in exceptional circumstances would this right be exercised.

The proposals are regarded here as a good compromise between the conflicting views and at the same time as calculated to meet the aspirations of those members who have claimed permanent seats. A Special-Commission is engaged in considering what changes, if any, should be made in regard to the permanent seats on the Council. *—British Wireless.*

QUESTION REFERRED TO MADRID.

Later,
M. Motta (Switzerland) the Chairman of the Committee considering the composition of the Council, has stated that it is definitely understood that Germany will have a permanent seat. The Spanish delegate is referring the matter to Madrid, and, meanwhile, requests the Committee to frame majority and minority reports, with mention of the Spanish claim to a permanent seat. *—Reuter.*

FALSE CLAIMS.

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telegrams for ammunition have been received at Canton, and that 200,000 rounds have been sent forward from the Arsenal.

Tuchun Tang Chi-yao of Yunnan, while co-operating with the general "anti-Red" policy of Marshal Wu Pei-fu, is not yet receiving any substantial support from the Yangtze War Lord, but he is said to have been assured of backing from General Chao Heng-ti, the ousted Tuchun from Hunan, and other militarists who are now out of power because of "Red" supremacy in their former spheres of influence.

TROOPS FOR WUCHOW.

Kuomintang troops at Kongmoon are being gradually reduced in number so as to be transferred to Wuchow to guard against possible invasion of Kwangsi by Yunnanese "anti-Reds."

The sectional commanders of the several forts at Bocca Tigris, on the Canton River, have been changed during the last few days. Since the report of the concentration of the Chinese Northern Navy at Amoy, the Canton Headquarters have been exceptionally careful in looking to the defence of the forts. Kuomintang organs make a claim that new and modern ordnance from Russia have been erected at the forts.

STRAITS AND F. M. S. PROBLEMS.

VIEWS OF SIR LAURENCE GUILLEMAND.

DECENTRALISATION ISSUE.

H. E. Sir Laurence Guillemard, Governor of the Straits Settlements and High Commissioner of the Federated Malay States, has made a gratifyingly quick recovery from his operation for appendicitis (writes the *Telegraph's* Singapore correspondent).

The operation was performed on August 17, at Kuala Lumpur, and the news of it came as a complete surprise to people generally. It was evident that the necessity for the operation was discovered suddenly, for Sir Laurence had a long list of public engagements this month and next. As His Excellency is 64 years of age, a certain amount of anxiety was felt, but his recovery has been an excellent one and on August 21 it was announced that he was out of danger.

Sir Laurence Guillemard has held his present office six and a half years, first arriving in February, 1920. It is evident that he is well thought of at home, for the very unusual step was taken of extending his period of service as Governor and High Commissioner which is usually five years.

Though there has been some criticism of certain of His Excellency's views, particularly what was called his "sitting on the fence" attitude with regard to rubber restriction, it is generally recognised that he has the interests of the country thoroughly at heart, and the hard work he devotes to his duties is much appreciated.

In particular, Sir Laurence Guillemard has recognised that his duties are by no means confined to the role of being Governor of the Straits Settlements. He realises that the appointment of High Commissioner of the Federated States, which always goes with the Governorship, is not a decorative one, and he gives a good deal of attention to F. M. S. affairs. He visits the Federated States continually, and has toured remote parts of the Peninsula a good deal more than was done by some previous Governors.

It is evident, too, that His Excellency likes his work and anticipates a prolonged period of office. At a recent dinner he remarked that a good deal had been said about the possible date of his retirement, but he anticipated being at that annual dinner for several years to come.

There is not so much criticism of the Governor's policy now as was the case six months ago, before Mr. A. W. Still, the editor of the *Straits Times*, retired. Mr. Still did not see eye to eye with His Excellency on certain matters, and he did not hesitate to say so.

Besides the question of rubber restriction, Mr. Still strongly disapproved the proposed policy of decentralisation, which indicated the abolition of the office of Chief Secretary of the F.M.S. and the granting to the four States which form the Federation of a much larger share in the governing of their own affairs.

The idea of the Federation has been that the four States formed as it were one country for administrative purposes, legislation being vested in the Federal Council, and it has been contended that the great progress the F.M.S. has made in the course of about twenty years was to a great extent due to that policy.

It is interesting to note that the High Commissioner's views with regard to decentralisation are not shared by the Association of British Malaya in London, and which comprises many men prominent in the country's service who have now retired. At all events the question of decentralisation appears to have been shelved for the time being and controversy in the country has for the moment died down.

U. S. POLITICS.

THE CALIFORNIA PRIMARIES.

San Francisco, Sept. 1.
The returns over half of the divisions in the California Republican primary elections show that Lieut. Governor Young is ahead of Mr. Richardson, the incumbent, for the Governorship, by 22,000 votes.

Lieut. Governor Young adheres to President Coolidge's policies, including the World Court at the Hague. *—Reuter's American Service.*

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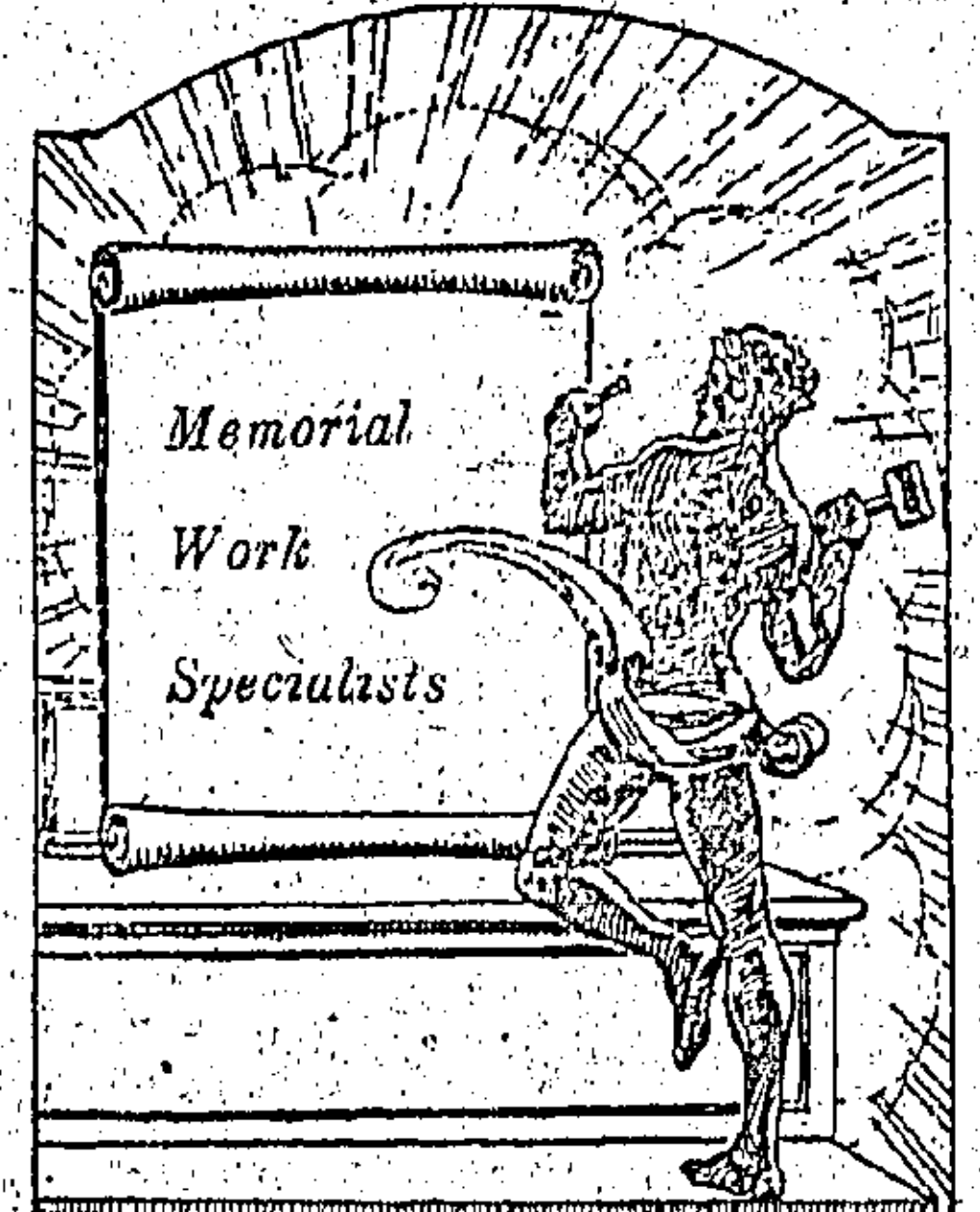
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